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OF THE

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Order of Business

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Meeting Place—First Reformed Church, Ludlow Street, near Third Street, where all the Business Sessions were held.

WEDNESDAY, May 16, 1917

7.30 p. m.—Religious Services, Opening Sermon by Dr. C. E. Miller; Constitution of the General Synod; Election of President.

THURSDAY, May 17th

8.30 a. m.—Devotional Service; Minutes; Election of Officers; Appointment of Committees; Preliminary Report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, including Presentation of Order of Business (Minutes p. 406), and Blue Book; Reference of Reports of Boards, Treasurer, Communications, etc.; Appointment of Committee on Credentials (Article 53 Constitution).

10.00 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Minutes of General Synod.

11.30 a. m.—Recess.

1.30 p. m.—Reports of Standing Committees on Minutes of District Synods, and on Minutes of Classes.

4.30 p. m.—Adjournment.

7.30 p. m.—Celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation.

FRIDAY, May 18th

8.30 a. m.—Devotional Service and Reports of Committees on State of the Church and Necrology.

9:30 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Overtures.

10.00 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Home Missions.

11.30 a. m.—Recess.

1.30 p. m.—Report of United Missionary and Stewardship Committee for information and reference (Minutes pp. 402–406).

2.15 p. m.—Completion of Reports of Standing Committees on Minutes of Synods and Classes.

4.30 p. m.—Adjournment.

7.30 p. m.—(Trinity Reformed Church, Jefferson and Green Streets.) Christian Education.

SATURDAY, May 19th

8.30 a. m.—Devotional Service; urgent business.

9.45 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Foreign Missions.

11.30 a. m.—Recess.

1.30 p. m.—Preparatory Service.

7.30 p. m.—Denominational Loyalty. Ministerial Relief.

SUNDAY, May 20th

8.00 a. m.—Synodical Celebration of the Holy Communion.

10.00 a. m.—Home Mission Addresses in the Reformed Churches of the city.

3.00 p. m.—Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, General Mass Meeting.

3.00 p. m.—Trinity Reformed Church, Sunday School Mass Meeting.

7.30 p. m.—Foreign Mission Addresses in the several Reformed Churches.

MONDAY, May 21st

8.30 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

10.00 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Nominations.

10.15 a. m.—Report of Special Committee on United Missionary and Stewardship Committee and its Work (Minutes pp. 402-406).

11.30 a. m.—Recess.

1.30 p. m.—Report of Permanent and Standing Committees on Societies (Minutes p. 397).

2.00 p. m.—Report of Permanent Commission on Moral and Religious Education (Minutes p. 55).

3.00 p. m.—Report of Permanent Committee on the Bible and Moral and Public Instruction in the Public Schools (Minutes pp. 64-68).

3.30 p. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Benevolent and Religious Institutions.

5.00 p. m.—Recess.

7.30 p. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Publication and Sunday Schools.

TUESDAY, May 22d

8.30 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

a. Alliance of Reformed Churches,

b. Correspondence with Continental Churches,

c. Council of Reformed Churches,

d. Permanent Commission on Closer Relations and Church Union (Minutes pp. 408-412),

- e. World Conference on Faith and Order (Minutes pp. 71-72),
10 a. m.—f. Federal Council of Churches,
- g. Hearing of Fraternal Delegates.
- 11.00 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Orphans' Homes.
- 11.30 a. m.—Recess.
- 1.30 p. m.—Election.

2.00 p. m.—Completion of Reports of Standing Committees on Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Ministerial Relief, Publication and Sunday Schools.

5.00 p. m.—Recess.

7.30 p. m.—Reports of Special Committees, Hymn Book (Minutes pp. 68-71), Zwingli Publications (p. 54), Church Colors and Seal (pp. 93-94), Special Anniversaries (p. 457); Special Orders.

WEDNESDAY, May 23d

8.30 a. m.—Report of Standing Committee on Finance; Report of Temperance Commission (Minutes pp. 57-60); Report of Judicial Committee (Section 10, Constitution); Appeals and References; Complaints.

11.30 a. m.—Recess.

1.30 p. m.—Church Government; Synodical Archives; Action on Place of Next Meeting; Order for Publishing and Distributing Minutes; Special Committees.

5.00 p. m.—Recess.

7.30 p. m.—Completion of Reports of Standing Committees; Report of Standing Committee on Press; Report of Standing Committee on Advisory Members; Report of Committee on Leave of Absence; Special Committees; Resumption and Close; Calling the Roll, Reading, Correction and Adoption of the Minutes.

NOTE—Synod succeeded in transacting the business scheduled for Wednesday at preceding sessions.

NINETEENTH TRIENNIAL SESSIONS.

Acts and Proceedings of the General Synod,
of the Reformed Church in the
United States.

Synod convened, agreeably to adjournment, on the 16th day of May, A. D. 1917. The sessions began May 16th, with an evening service, at 7.30 o'clock, and continued until May 22d, closing at 10.10 p. m.

ARTICLE I.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

OPENING OF GENERAL SYNOD

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States convened in the First Reformed Church, Dayton, O., on Tuesday evening, May 16, 1917, at 7.30 p. m.

The altar services were conducted by the second Vice President, the Rev. Charles F. Kriete, D. D., Louisville, Ky., and the Assistant Stated Clerk, Rev. F. W. Leich, Cleveland, Ohio. The sermon was preached by the Vice President, Rev. Dr. Chas. E. Miller, D. D., LL. D., Tiffin, Ohio, from the text recorded in Saint John 10:10: "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." His subject was: "The Abundant Life."

After the delivery of the sermon the session was formally opened with prayer by Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D.

The Enrollment Clerk reported that the registration cards showed the presence of a quorum composed of 120 ministers and 93 elders, representing all the Synods and 56 Classes.

The Rev. Dr. Charles E. Miller was nominated for President by the Rev. Dr. John O. Riegel. The nominations

were closed, the Stated Clerk was authorized to cast the ballot for General Synod, and Dr. Miller was declared unanimously elected.

The address of welcome was tendered to the members of General Synod by the pastor of the First Church, the Rev. Dr. Wm. A. Hale, to which the President made fitting response.

Following the singing of the long-metre doxology, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Rufus W. Miller.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT

I. EASTERN SYNOD

NOTE—Numerals attached to a name indicate the session at which the delegate took his seat.

1. EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS, 39—Revs. H. J. Ehret, Floyd R. Shafer, Edward F. Evemeyer, Harvey I. Crow. Elders H. S. Rinker, Howard R. Knecht, E. E. Creitz, W. A. Follweiler.

2. LEBANON CLASSIS, 23—Revs. W. D. Happel, Ph. D., D. K. Laudenslager, Wm. F. Delong. Elders Geo. W. Stein, D. O. Mader.

3. PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS, 51—Revs. Silas L. Messinger, D. D., James I. Good, D. D., Chas. B. Alspach, D. D., James M. S. Isenberg, D. D., Chas. A. Santee, Edward J. LaRose. Elders F. C. Brunhouse, Milton Warner, H. M. Housekeeper, F. J. Frick, S. S. Jones, Wm. L. Hunsberger.

4. LANCASTER CLASSIS, 50. Revs. Daniel G. Glass, W. Stuart Cramer, Harry N. Bassler,⁴ J. H. Pannebecker, D. D., J. Hunter Watts. Elders Geo. W. Hartman, M. D.,² G. J. P. Raub, Edwin C. Thompson, H. C. Meyers, M. D.,² John Hertzler.

5. EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS, 19—Revs. C. P. Wehr, Clement D. Kressley. Elders D. J. Keen, F. E. Ammerman.

6. WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS, 25—Revs. W. C. Rittenhouse, K. O. Spessard, Ph. D., A. M. Schmidt, D. D. Elders Cyrus Heller, C. W. Oldt,² H. F. Bitner, Ph. D.

7. TOHICKON CLASSIS, 24—Revs. Jacob J. Rothrock, David B. Clark, Theo. C. Brown. Elders John H. Shellenberger, H. Irvin Moyer, Hon. Webster Grim.

8. GOSHENHOPPEN CLASSIS, 15—Revs. James M. Blatt, Reuben S. Snyder. Elders Joseph M. Groff, M. B. Linderman.

9. LEHIGH CLASSIS, 43—Revs. Theo. F. Herman, D. D., Elijah E. Kresge, Ph. D., Frank P. Laros, Simon Sipple, Fred C. Seitz, D. D. Elders John A. Wuchter, W. H. Hibbert, C. F. Stahler Evan W. Smith, Oscar N. Snyder.

10. SCHUYLKILL CLASSIS, 20—Revs. J. Arthur Schaeffer, Elmer G. Leinbach. Elder Ed. R. Scheer.

11. WYOMING CLASSIS, 29—Revs. D. James Ely, Preston A. DeLong, S. E. Stofflet. Elders James R. Howells, A. Oswald Freeland.

12. READING CLASSIS, 28—Revs. Henry I. Stahr, Chas. E. Creitz, D. D., Scott R. Wagner. Elders Morris J. Ulrich, Peter N. Leinbach, Wm. A. Levan.

13. HUNAN (CHINA) CLASSIS—No delegates sent.

II. OHIO SYNOD

1. MIAMI CLASSIS, 37—Revs. Alvin S. Zerbe, D. D., Edward M. Beck, H. L. V. Shinn, Chalmer G. Beaver. Elders Geo. B. Smith, Albert Ankeney, David I. Prugh.

2. LANCASTER CLASSIS, 12—Revs. Michael Loucks, D. D.,² M. E. Beck. Elders H. W. Vogt, E. V. Barr.³

3. TUSCARAWAS CLASSIS, 36—Revs. John O. Reagle, D. D., Edgar S. Hassler,² Edwin R. Williard, D. D., Harry J. Rohrbaugh. Elders A. W. Zimmerman, J. A. Swinehart, C. Buss.³

4. TIFFIN CLASSIS, 30—Revs. W. A. Alspach, Chas. E. Miller, D. D., W. H. Shultz, J. S. Freeman. Elders John S. Kleckner,² E. W. Good, J. W. Keller.

5. EASTERN OHIO CLASSIS, 19—Revs. L. J. Rohrbaugh, J. C. Gekeler. Elder A. T. Henning.

6. ST. JOSEPH CLASSIS, 17—Revs. Leander A. Sigrist,³ Cecil A. Albright. Elders Claude R. Newman, Dr. J. T. Mehrich.²

III. SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST

1. SHEBOYGAN CLASSIS, 44—Revs. Josias Friedli, Fred W. Beisser, Herman Greimann, Adam C. Plappert. Elder Hermann A. Arpke.²

2. MILWAUKEE CLASSIS, 21—Revs. Henry Holliger,³ Calvin M. Zenk. Elder Valentine Accola.

3. MINNESOTA CLASSIS, 15—Revs. August Depping,³ Wm. P. Thiel. Elder Fred Haupt.

4. NEBRASKA CLASSIS, 15—Rev. Julius T. Vollprecht.

5. URSINUS CLASSIS—Sent no delegates.

6. SOUTH DAKOTA CLASSIS—Sent no delegates.

7. PORTLAND, OREGON, CLASSIS—Sent no delegates.

8. MANITOBA CLASSIS—Sent no delegates.

9. EUREKA CLASSES—Sent no delegates.

10. NORTH DAKOTA CLASSIS, 6—Rev. J. M. Bauer. Elder Adolph Graf.

IV. PITTSBURGH SYNOD

1. WESTMORELAND CLASSIS, 33—Revs. Edwin D. Bright, Daniel Gress,³ John C. Bowman, D. D., Samuel H. Dietzel, Ph. D. Elders Chas. A. Purbaugh, J. Grant McGeary,⁴ C. B. Chronister, C. V. Bowers.

2. CLARION CLASSIS, 12—Revs. R. E. Crum, E. M. Deitrich. Elders C. B. McNurdy, John Adams.

3. ST. PAUL'S CLASSIS, 13—Revs. C. G. Shupe, Chas. R. Hartman. Elders W. J. Moyer,² W. A. Graber.²

4. SOMERSET CLASSIS, 19—Revs. D. S. Stephan, H. H. Wiant. Elders A. A. Comp, W. H. Habel.

5. ALLEGHENY CLASSIS, 25—Revs. Paul B. Rupp, J. Edgar Scheetz, Addison H. Groff. Elders W. S. Dorman, H. F. Texter, P. W. Seibert.²

6. HUNGARIAN CLASSIS, 7.—Rev. Andrew Kovacs.

V. POTOMAC SYNOD

1. ZION'S CLASSIS, 22—Revs. Andrew H. Smith, Edwin M. Sando, Geo. S. Sorber, D. D. Elders Fred B. Gerber, Daniel W. Gerber, Chas. F. Beck.

2. MARYLAND CLASSIS, 44—Revs. Adam S. Weber, D. D., J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D., Geo. A. Snyder, D. D., Henri L. G. Kieffer,² Conrad Clever, D. D. Elders Emory L. Coblentz, William B. Johnson, Daniel A. Stickell, Geo. W. Crum, Harry Little.

3. MERCERSBURG CLASSIS, 12. Revs. I. N. Peightel, D. D., T. A. Alspach. Elder Samuel K. Clever.

4. VIRGINIA CLASSIS, 15. Revs. Wm. H. Causey,² Aaron M. Gluck.² Elders Henry E. Bailey, Walter C. Switzer.²

5. NORTH CAROLINA CLASSIS, 38—Revs. Wm. H. McNairy, Walter W. Rowe, Paul Barringer, David E. Bowers. Elders Jac. O. Moose, John W. Peeler.

6. GETTYSBURG CLASSIS, 19—Revs. Theo. C. Hesson, A. S. Dechant. Elder Elmer D. Buckey.

7. CARLISLE CLASSIS, 12—Revs. Elmer L. Coblentz, J. Thos. Fox.² Elders Samuel S. Brenner, Dr. E. A. Shulenberger.

8. JUNIATA CLASSIS, 26—Revs. O. S. Frantz, J. A. Eyler, E. Ranson Deatrick, B. D. Elders Prof. Geo. D. Robb, Benj. S. Fouse, Harry S. Lang.

VI. GERMAN SYNOD OF THE EAST

1. NEW YORK CLASSIS, 18—Revs. Earnest W. C. Brueckner, Max H. J. Walenta,³ Elders Henry Goertz,³ Geo. Kuhlthau.

2. WEST NEW YORK CLASSIS, 18—Revs. Wm. A. Settlege, Victor J. Tingler. Elder Simon Beisheim.

3. GERMAN PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS, 26—Revs. P. H. Dippell, D. D., B. S. Stern, D. D., Paul Sommerlatte. Elders H. Echelmeier, J. T. Knaus.

4. GERMAN MARYLAND CLASSIS, 8—Rev. J. S. Kosower.

VII. CENTRAL SYNOD

1. ERIE CLASSIS, 27—Revs. F. Mayer, D. D., A. Krampe, D. R. Raiser. Elders A. Esterly, Christian Diehm, H. Rohe.

2. HEIDELBERG CLASSIS, 24—Revs. C. M. Schaaf, D. D., F. H. Rupnow, B. E. Lienkaemper. Elders Benj. Vornholt, C. E. Frederick, Henry Raiser.

3. ST. JOHN'S CLASSIS, 20. Rev. Alfred Grether. Elder L. J. Bahler,² Wm. Wagner.

4. CINCINNATI CLASSIS, 12—Revs. Geo. F. Zinn, Carl T. Heyl. Elders Henry Burstorf, Fred Johannsmann.

5. TOLEDO CLASSIS, 15—Revs. M. E. Vizt, Julius F. Vornholdt

VIII. INTERIOR SYNOD

1. ILLINOIS CLASSIS, 11—Revs. G. Nevin Rebert, Samuel L. Whitmore, D. D. Elders John P. Hicster, Jacob Duitsman.

2. IOWA CLASSIS, 12—Revs. J. N. Naly, D. Franklin Boomersshine. Elder W. Willer.

3. KANSAS CLASSIS, 13—Revs. John B. Bloom, Ernest N. Evans. Elder J. F. Heldstab.⁶

4. WICHITA CLASSIS, 7—Rev. John E. Boomersshine. Elder Silas S. Brown, Esq.

5. LINCOLN CLASSIS, 5—Rev. Henry L. Krause. Elder Chas. P. Springer.

IX. SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

1. ZION'S CLASSIS, 10—Rev. Herman H. Kattmann.⁴ Elder Lewis Worthman.

2. INDIANA CLASSIS, 17—Revs. Julius F. Grauel,² F. W. Hoernemann. Elder Edwin P. Feutz, Geo. Hagelskamp.

3. MISSOURI CLASSIS, 9—Rev. Lawrence Selzer. Elder Henry L. Prauge.

4. CHICAGO CLASSIS—Sent no delegates.

5. KENTUCKY CLASSIS, 11—Revs. C. F. Kreite, D. D., Frank E. Lahr. Elders Ed. H. Marcus, H. Lewis Bierbaum.

Report of the Committee on Registration of Advisory Members of General Synod

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Advisory Members reports that 97 advisory members were in attendance at the several sessions of the Synod representing 9 Synods and 35 Classes as follows:

EASTERN SYNOD

1. *East Pennsylvania Classis*—Revs. W. H. Wotring, D. D., J. G. Rupp, Edwin W. Lentz.

3. *Philadelphia Classis*—Revs. Eugene L. McLean, A. R. Bartholomew, D. D., U. C. E. Gutelius, Rufus C. Zartman, D. D., Edgar R. Appenzeller. Elder Joseph S. Wise.

4. *Laureaster Classis*—Revs. Edwin H. Zechman, J. W. Meminger, D. D., M. W. Schweitzer, Ph. D., Christopher Noss, D. D., Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Homer Skyles May.

9. *Lehigh Classis*—Revs. J. M. G. Darms, D. D., Wm. L. Meckstroth, G. W. Richards, D. D. Elder N. M. Balliet.

11. *Wyoming Classis*—Rev. J. Rauch Stein. Elder Wm. W. Anspach.

12. *Reading Classis*—Revs. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., John K. Stoudt. Elder C. H. Leinbach.

13. *Hunan (China) Classis*—Rev. Wm. E. Hoy, D. D.

OHIO SYNOD

1. *Miami Classis*—Revs. F. W. Hoffman, Joab Kombar, Philip Vollmer, D. D., George Stibitz, D. D., Albert S. Glessner, Wm. W. Hale, D. D. Elder Horace Ankeny.

2. *Lancaster Classis*—Rev. Wm. E. Troup.

3. *Tuscarawas Classis*—Rev. John H. Bomberger, D. D.

4. *Tiffin Classis*—Rev. Morgan A. Peters.

5. *Eastern Ohio Classis*—Rev. Richard R. Yocum.

6. *St. Joseph Classis*—Rev. Henry Gekeler, D. D., C. W. Brugh.

SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST

1. *Sheboygan Classis*—Rev. L. D. Benner.

2. *Milwaukee Classis*—Rev. Henry C. Nott, D. D.

PITTSBURGH SYNOD

1. *Westmoreland Classis*—Revs. D. A. Souders, D. D., J. Harvey Mickley, D. D., Paul J. Dundore, Ph. D.

3. *St. Paul's Classis*—Revs. A. M. Keifer, A. B. Bauman Elder C. M. Bousch.

5. *Allegheny Classis*—Revs. W. H. Harman, F. C. Nau, Lewis, Robb, D. D.

6. *Hungarian Classis*—Rev. A. C. Harsanyi, Ph. D.

SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC

1. *Zion's Classis*—Rev. Samuel H. Stein. Elder E. A. Rice.

2. *Maryland Classis*—Revs. Isaac M. Motter, Wm. E. Lampe, Ph. D., C. H. Ranck, S. S. Miller, D. D., John L. Barnhart, C. W. Walck. Elder Jos. H. Apple, LL. D.

3. *Mercersburg Classis*—Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer, D. D., Lic. G. Leslie Omwake, Pd. D. Elder L. P. Teel.

6. *Gettysburg Classis*—Revs. Milton Whitener, Paul Reid Pontius.

GERMAN SYNOD OF THE EAST

1. *New York Classis*—Revs. Max J. H. Walenta, W. Walenta.

2. *West New York Classis*—Revs. Wm. G. Klein, Wm. Dickman, A. E. Dahlmann, D. D.

3. *German Philadelphia Classis*—Revs. C. A. Hauser, D. D., F. W. Berleman, D. D., Carl H. Gramm.

CENTRAL SYNOD

1. *Erie Classis*—Revs. F. W. Leich, Henry Schmidt.
2. *Heidelberg Classis*—Revs. Daniel Burghalter, D. D., S. W. Hoernemann, D. B. Shuey, D. D., R. W. Bloemker, L. H. Kunst, W. H. Lahr.
4. *Cincinnati Classis*—Revs. J. O. Vitz, Wm. E. Miller, A. G. Lohmann, A. Seyring, D. D., D. A. Kielsmeier.
5. *Toledo Classis*—Revs. J. H. Poetter, Karl A. Stein.

INTERIOR SYNOD

1. *Illinois Classis*—Missionary F. B. Nicodemus.
3. *Kansas Classis*—Rev. Jno. C. Horning.
4. *Wichita Classis*—Rev. G. F. Stauffer.

SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

1. *Indiana Classis*—Revs. Henry W. Vitz, D. D., M. N. George. Elders W. E. Schortemeier, Geo. C. Iske.

VISITING MINISTERS FROM OTHER CHURCHES

Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, D. D., Secretary Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Rev. J. A. Henderson, D. D., United Presbyterian Church.

Rev. I. W. Gowen, Reformed Church in America.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. DELONG,
E. R. DEATRICK,
E. S. HASSLER.

Vacant Seats Occupied by Secundi

EASTERN SYNOD

Lancaster Classis—The Rev. Henry H. Apple, D. D., LL. D., occupied the seat of Rev. Harry N. Bassler during the third session.

Wyoming Classis—The Rev. J. Rauch Stein occupied the seat of Rev. D. James Ely from the fourth session to the close.

PITTSBURGH SYNOD

Westmoreland Classis—The Rev. Edwin S. Bromer, D. D., occupied the seat of the Rev. Daniel Gress from the fifth session to the close.

SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

Zion's Classis—The Rev. Frederick H. Diehm occupied the seat of the Rev. Hermann Kattmann the first three sessions.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following members were the officers of General Synod:

President—The Rev. Charles E. Miller, D. D., LL. D., Tiffin, Ohio.

First Vice President—Elder Emory L. Coblentz, Esq., Middletown, Md.

Second Vice President—The Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Youngstown, Ohio.

Stated Clerk—The Rev. James Rauch Stein, 499 S. Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Assistant Stated Clerk—The Rev. F. William Leich, Cleveland, Ohio.

Roll Clerk—The Rev. Samuel H. Stein, York, Pa.

Corresponding Secretary—The Rev. Henry I. Stahr, Reading, Pa.

Reading Clerk—The Rev. J. O. Reagle, D. D., Akron, Ohio.

Treasurer—Elder E. A. Rice, York, Pa.

NOTE—The President appointed the following committee of tellers to count the ballots: Revs. E. S. Hassler, D. R. Raiser, J. Arthur Schaeffer, Wm. F. DeLong, J. S. Freeman, E. R. Deatrick; Elders H. S. Lang, W. J. Moyer, Louis Worthmann, Fred. Haupt.

ARTICLE IV.

DEFINING THE BAR OF THE HOUSE

The Rules of Order declared adopted by the General Synod at York, Pa., in 1908, contained in the Constitution and Forms of the Reformed Church in the United States, were daily observed in the transaction of business.

The Bar of the House was defined as the main auditorium of the church.

ARTICLE V.

FIXING THE HOURS OF MEETING AND
ADJOURNMENT

The hours for opening and closing the daily sessions were as follows:

From May 17 to May 21, inclusive, it was resolved that the daily sessions for business open at 8.30 a. m. and close

at 4.30 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 a. m. to 1.30 p. m. The evening sessions for the general public opened at 7.30 p. m.

From May 21 to the close of the sessions it was resolved that the Synod convene for business from 8.30 a. m. to 10.00 p. m. with recesses from 11.30 a. m. to 1.30 p. m. and from 5 to 7.30 p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

On Religious Services—Revs. W. A. Hale, N. B. Mathes, O. W. Haulman; Elders G. B. Smith, D. I. Prugh.

On Minutes of General Synod—Revs. A. S. Weber, E. M. Beck, C. G. Shupe; Elders F. J. Frick, C. P. Springer.

On Minutes of Eastern Synod—Revs. F. C. Seitz, J. H. Pannebecker, E. J. LaRose; Elders M. J. Ulrich, C. Frank Stahler.

On Minutes of Ohio Synod—Revs. L. J. Rohrbaugh, L. A. Sigrist, H. L. V. Shinn; Elders J. S. Kleckner, H. W. Vogt.

On Minutes of the Synod of the Northwest—Revs. Josias Freidli, C. M. Zenk, J. T. Vollprecht; Elders Valentine Accola, Henry L. Prange.

On Minutes of Pittsburgh Synod—Revs. Paul B. Rupp, S. H. Dietzel, E. M. Deatrich; Elders W. S. Dorman, W. H. Habel.

On Minutes of the Synod of the Potomac—Revs. E. L. Coblentz, A. H. Smith, T. A. Alspach; Elders John M. Peeler, Benj. S. Fouse.

On Minutes of the German Synod of the East—Revs. J. S. Kosower, Paul Sommerlatte, Victor J. Tingler; Elders Simon Beisheim, J. G. Knaus.

On Minutes of the Central Synod—Revs. B. E. Lienkaemper, A. Grether, J. F. Vornholt; Elders Christian Diehm, Henry Raiser.

On Minutes of the Synod of the Interior—Revs. H. L. Krause, D. F. Boomersshine, G. Nevin Rebert; Elders Jacob Duitsman, A. F. Kearney.

On Minutes of the Southwest Synod—Revs. F. E. Lahr, Earnest Traeger, Lawrence Seltzer; Elders Louis Bierbaum, Louis Worthman.

On Minutes of English Classes—Revs. W. S. Cramer, Paul Baringer, Jacob E. Scheetz; Elders J. W. Keller, John White.

On Minutes of German Classes—Revs. W. A. Settlage, D. R. Raiser, J. F. Grauel; Elders H. Schnuelle, G. Luebeck.

On Overtures—Revs. J. M. S. Isenberg, A. S. Dechant, J. S. Freeman; Elders C. V. Bowers, E. P. Feutz.

On Correspondence with Sister Churches—Revs. A. M. Schmidt, I. N. Peightel, Carl F. Heyl; Elders E. A. Shulenberger, J. A. Swinehart.

On State of the Church—Revs. C. F. Kriete, M. Loucks, R. S. Snyder; Elders H. M. Housekeeper, John Adams.

On Home Missions—Revs. E. R. Williard, Scott R. Wagner, George S. Sorber; Elders H. F. Texter, John P. Hiester.

On Foreign Missions—Revs. Henri L. G. Kieffer, R. E. Crum, S. L. Messinger; Elders H. Echelmeier, E. H. Good.

On Orphans' Homes—Revs. D. Stephan, M. M. Rowe, N. E. Vitz; Elders F. E. Ammerman, A. W. Zimmerman.

On Ministerial Relief—Revs. E. N. Evans, J. A. Eyler, C. A. Albright; Elders Milton Warner, Ed. R. Scherr.

On Publication and Sunday-schools—Revs. Preston A. DeLong, W. A. Alspach, D. S. Stephan; Elders Emory L. Coblentz, Howard R. Knecht.

On Young People's Societies—Revs. A. M. Gluck, J. B. Bloom, Emer G. Leinbach; Elders Albert Ankeney, Chas. A. Purbaugh.

On Nominations—Revs. Charles E. Creitz, George A. Snyder, H. H. Wiant, John C. Gekeler, P. H. Dippell, F. H. Rupnow; Elders Geo. D. Robb, S. S. Brown, Geo. Hagelskamp, Adolph Graf.

On Finance—Revs. H. I. Crow, E. M. Sandoe, J. N. Naly; Elders Geo. B. Smith, Fred Haupt.

On Press—Revs. Charles B. Alspach, M. E. Beck, Simon Sipple; Elder A. Esterly, Fred B. Gerber.

On Advisory Members—Revs. Wm. F. DeLong, E. R. Deatrick, E. S. Hassler; Elders Benj. Vornholt, Wendell Miller.

On Benevolent and Religious Institutions—Revs. W. D. Happel, C. M. Schaaf, E. S. Bright; Elders E. V. Barr, John M. Peeler.

On Judicial Committee—Revs. J. Spangler Kieffer, John C. Bowman, A. S. Zerbe, S. E. Stofflett, B. S. Stern; Elders F. C. Brunhouse, F. J. Brand, C. A. Wiser, Edward H. Marcus.

On Credentials—Rev. S. L. Whitmore, Charles A. Santee, George F. Zinn; Elders C. Buss, J. C. Moose.

Appointment of Special Committees

The President, in the course of the sessions, appointed the following special committees:

On Constitutional Questions and Changes—Revs. T. F. Herman, A. Krampe, W. W. Rowe; Elders Webster Grimm, H. F. Texter.

Plan for Filling Pastoral Vacancies—Revs. A. S. Weber, D. G. Glass; Elder H. B. Chronister.

On Temperance—Revs. John C. Gekeler, E. E. Kresge; Elder E. L. Coblentz.

On Leave of Absence—Revs. S. L. Whitmore, C. M. Schaaf; Elder Geo. W. Stein.

On New Hymnal—Revs. C. Clever, F. C. Seitz, C. B. Alspach, D. S. Stephan, J. S. Freeman, C. F. Heyl, A. Grether; Elders Geo. D. Robb, D. I. Prugh.

On Reviewing Books for Archives—Revs. E. M. Sando, H. J. Rohrbaugh; Elder F. E. Ammerman.

On United Missionary and Stewardship—Revs. J. O. Reagle, F. H. Diehm, E. F. Evemeyer; Elders S. K. Clever, D. A. Stickell.

On Bible and Moral Instruction in Public Schools—Revs. Lewis Robb, F. C. Wau, T. P. Bolliger; Elders G. D. Robb, John Hollinger.

On Resolution of Thanks—Revs. Charles A. Santee, L. A. Sigrist; Elder J. W. Peeler.

On the Stonington Church Case—Revs. Benj. S. Stern, G. S. Sorber; Elder George W. Hartman.

On Smithfield Church Property—Revs. Cyrus Cort, D. A. Souders; Elders John N. Kunkle, C. M. Bousch.

On Union Reformation Services with the Reformed Church in America (1) *at Akron and Grand Rapids*—Revs. J. O. Reagle, H. Schmidt, E. P. Herbruck; Elders W. J. Frank, Martin Rueteink.

(2) *At New York and Philadelphia*—Revs. C. B. Alspach, C. E. Creitz, George W. Richards; Elders F. C. Brunhouse, H. E. Paisley.

On Printing Minutes of General Synod—Revs. Edward F. Evemeyer, W. A. Settlege; Elder F. C. Brunhouse.

On Status of Minister Engaged in Secular Calling—Revs. T. F. Herman, C. E. Creitz; Elder H. M. Housekeeper.

On Delegates to Alliance of Reformed Churches—Revs. A. S. Weber, J. M. S. Isenberg; Elder Howard R. Knecht.

On New Liturgy—Revs. John C. Bowman, A. M. Gluck, James I. Good, Charles E. Miller, E. A. Hofer, C. F. Kriete; Elders John W. Apple, D. I. Prugh, F. J. Brandt.

On Zwingli Publications—Revs. James I. Good, George W. Richards; Elders Israel Loueks, George A. Wood, P. W. Siebert.

On Reformed Church Colors and Seal—Revs. James I. Good, Ambrose M. Schmidt; Elder B. F. Fackenthal.

On Young People's Societies (Permanent 1911)—Revs. Edward S. Bromer, Clayton H. Ranck Robert M. Kern; Elders A. J. Shartle, E. A. Shulenberger.

On Closer Relations and Church Union (Permanent Commission)—Revs. Geo. W. Richards, C. E. Miller, A. E. Dahlmann, J. Spangler Kieffer, R. W. Miller; Elders Albert Ankeny, E. A. Rice.

On Faith and Order (Commission)—Revs. James I. Good, George W. Richards.

On Moral and Religious Education (Commission)—Revs. Charles E. Miller, J. H. Apple, G. L. Onwake, Conrad Clever, Rufus W. Miller.

On Co-operation with the Presbyterian Historical Society—Rev. James Crawford, James I. Good; Elder Howard E. Heckler.

ARTICLE VII.

REPORTS OF THE BOARDS AND COMMUNICATIONS

On motion the preliminary report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee was presented by the chairman, Wm. W. Anspach, immediately following the announcement of the Standing Committees. The part of the report relating to the Order of Business as adopted is found on pages 3-5. The remaining part of the report was adopted as follows:

Preliminary Report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—The General Synod meeting at Lancaster, Pa., in 1914, adopted the following resolutions (Minutes p. 406):

“*Resolved* (a) That the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of General Synod consider the subject of standing orders and rules for the docket or order of business and instructions for the guidance of the Stated Clerk in the preparation of the docket for the regular meeting of General Synod.

“(b) That this committee in connection with the Stated Clerk prepare the docket or order of business for the next meeting of General Synod.”

The Stated Clerk is a Coöperating member of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee and has coöperated with the Committee in carrying out the above instructions of the General Synod. The docket or order of business for this meeting of General Synod is herewith submitted. The committee recommends the adoption of the hours for the business sessions as printed in the report.

The committee further recommends the adoption of the following standing orders and rules for the guidance of the business of this meeting of the General Synod:

1. The Stated Clerk shall receive all memorials, overtures, reports of boards, and other miscellaneous papers addressed to the General Synod, shall make record of the same, and then deliver them for distribution or reference to the Committee on Overtures. All complaints and appeals, however, shall be transmitted by the Stated Clerk directly to the Judicial Committee.

2. The Committee on Overtures reports all papers retained by it as well as those referred to other committees, simply noting in the latter case to what committees references have been made. The Committee on Overtures may give advice concerning either the matter or manner of overtures brought to them, suggesting such order of procedure, as reference to Special Committees, to Standing Committees, approval of the overture, etc.

3. The Committee on Overtures shall have the floor on the reassembling of the judicatory after each adjournment to report its recommendations as to order of business and this shall take precedence of the orders of the day.

4. The Standing Committees on Minutes of General Synod, District Synods and Minutes of Classes are directed to bring together under one head, so far as possible, in their reports, items referring to vacancies and expiration of terms of office, and such items as are to be referred to the Committee on Nominations without formal action by the General Synod, and overtures similar in character from various judicatories, to be grouped under one head, and particular items, referring to the Stated Clerk or other individuals, to be reported, after consultation with parties in interest, and marked as "Attended to" and

Further, the several Standing Committees named are authorized to suggest such action as reference to Standing or Special Committees and also suggest action in harmony with the time appointed for consideration of certain subjects in the order of business.

WILLIAM W. ANSPACH, *Chairman,*

WILLIAM E. LAMPE, *Secretary,*

J. RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

PREVIOUS ENACTMENTS OF GENERAL SYNOD ON PREPARING REPORTS IN ADVANCE

1. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk of General Synod to prepare in advance each triennium a report covering the items to be incorporated in the report known as the Minutes of the General Synod.

2. *Resolved*, That General Synod requests the several District Synods to make it the duty of the Stated Clerk of each District Synod to furnish the Stated Clerk of General Synod a complete report of such items as should appear in the report of each respective Synod. Said report to be read and known as said District Synod's report.

3. *Resolved*, That the President of this General Synod and of future General Synods shall appoint from the list of delegates elected to the next triennial session, a chairman of the Committee on Minutes of English Classes and a chairman of the Committee on Minutes of German

Classes, to whom shall be sent the abstracts of the Minutes of their respective Classes. These chairmen shall prepare in advance their several reports and present them to the next General Synod at its next following triennial meetings.

In accordance with the preceding report and the foregoing resolutions of General Synod taken in 1911 and 1914, the following documents and communications were received and handed to the proper Standing Committees:

1. Three copies of the Minutes of the General Synod in the English, and three in the German language, together with the report of the Stated Clerk, were referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of General Synod.

2. Three copies of Minutes from each of the District Synods for each of the three years intervening, since the last triennial session of General Synod together with the reports of the stated clerks of each District Synod were referred to the Standing Committees on Minutes of the several District Synods.

3. The Abstract-Minutes of all the Classes except Hunan (China) and Manitoba, together with the reports prepared in advance by the chairmen of the said committees were referred to the Standing Committees on English and on German Classes.

4. The report of the Board of Home Missions referred to the Standing Committee on Home Missions.

5. The report of the Board of Foreign Missions referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions.

6. The report of the Publication and Sunday-school Board referred to the Standing Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools.

7. Sundry communications (for enumeration and reference see the report of the Standing Committee on Overtures) were referred to said Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VIII.

REPORT OF TREASURER

The report of the Treasurer, Elder E. A. Rice, was referred, with vouchers, to the Standing Committee on Finance (see Report, Article IX: 16).

ARTICLE IX.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

I. ON RELIGIOUS SERVICES

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Religious Services begs to submit the following report of assignments for the services of the present Synod, and for the churches of Dayton and vicinity requesting such appointments for Sunday, May 20, 1917.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16.

Rev. C. F. Kriete, D. D., Louisville, Ky., presiding; devotions, conducted by Rev. F. Wm. Leich, Assistant Stated Clerk; opening sermon by Rev. Charles E. Miller, D. D., Vice President of General Synod; address of welcome by Rev. W. A. Hale, D. D.; response by Rev. Charles E. Miller, D. D.; organization of Synod, Rev. Charles E. Miller, D. D., presiding.

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 8.30 A. M.

Devotions, conducted by Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

7.30 P. M.

Celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation, Rev. A. S. Zerbe, D. D., Ph. D., Dayton, Ohio, presiding; addresses by Rev. George W. Richards, D. D.; Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., ("Stereopticon Illustrations of Life Scenes of the Reformers").

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 8.30 A. M.

Devotions, Rev. A. Grether, Alliance, Ohio; report on the State of the Church and Necrology.

7.30 P. M.

*At Trinity Reformed Church, Jefferson and Green Streets;
Christian Education.*

Rev. Clayton H. Ranck, Philadelphia, Pa., presiding; speakers, Rev. E. A. Dahlmann, D. D., Professor of Systematic Theology, in the Mission House, Sheboygan, Wis.; Dr. John C. Bowman, President Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.; Rev. H. H. Apple, D. D., President Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.; George Leslie Omwake, Ph. D., President of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 8.30 A. M.

Devotions, conducted by Rev. George A. Snyder, D. D., Middletown, Md.

1.30 P. M.

Preparatory Service

Conducted by Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, D. D.

3.00 P. M.

Visit to Central Theological Seminary, and reception by the Faculty.

7.30 P. M.

"Denominational Loyalty," Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D., Allentown, Pa.; "Ministerial Relief," Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., Lancaster, Pa.

SUNDAY, MAY 20

8.00 a. m.—The Holy Communion; liturgical service and administration of elements by Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D., LL. D., Hagerstown, Md.; Rev. B. S. Stern, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

10.00 a. m.—Home Mission address in the Reformed Churches of the city.

First, Rev. E. R. Williard, D. D., Akron, Ohio.

Second, Rev. E. A. Dahlmann, D. D., Sheboygan, Wis.

Trinity, Rev. J. C. Horning, St. Joseph, Mo.

Fourth, Rev. E. F. Evemeyer, Easton, Pa.

Memorial, Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Ohmer Park, Mr. Joseph S. Wise, Philadelphia, Pa.

Heidelberg, Rev. C. A. Albright, Detroit, Mich.

Hungarian, Rev. E. A. Souders, D. D., Irwin, Pa.

3.00 p. m.—Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, general mass meeting, Rev. H. J. Christman, D. D., President Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, presiding; address, "The Social Mission of the Church," Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.; address, "The Evangelistic Mission of the Church," Rev. E. N. Evans, Kansas City, Mo.

3.00 p. m.—Trinity Reformed Church, Sunday-school mass meeting, elementary division of the Reformed schools of the city.

7.30 p. m.—Foreign Missions presented in the different Reformed churches.

First, Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. Wm. E. Hoy, D. D., Yochow City, Hunan, China.

Second, Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D., Allentown, Pa.

Trinity, Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Fourth, Rev. D. Burghalter, D. D., Tiffin, Ohio.

Memorial, Rev. Christopher Noss, D. D., Wakamatsu, Japan.

Ohmer Park, Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Sendai, Japan.

Heidelberg, Rev. J. G. Rupp, Allentown, Pa.

MONDAY, MAY 21, 8.30 A. M.

Devotions, conducted by Rev. T. A. Alspach, Chambersburg, Pa.

7.30 P. M.

The Sunday-school, Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Youngstown, Ohio; Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 8.30 A. M.

Devotions, conducted by Rev. Victor J. Tingler, Buffalo, New York.

The following assignment of ministers attending the synodical convention for local churches Sunday was announced:

First Presbyterian, Dayton, Ludlow and Second Sts.—10.30 a. m., Dr. W. C. Schaeffer, Lancaster, Pa.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. E. R. Williard, Akron, Ohio.

First English Lutheran, First and Wilkinson Sts.—10.30 a. m., Dr. J. W. Meminger, Lancaster, Pa.

Park Presbyterian, North St. Clair St.—10.30 a. m., Rev. G. A. Snyder, D. D., Middletown, Md.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. M. E. Beck, Columbus, O.

Fourth Presbyterian, Summit and Fourth Ave.—10.30 a. m., Rev. L. Robb, D. D., Wilksburg, Pa.; 7.30 p. m., J. C. Bowman, D. D., Lancaster, Pa.

Linden Avenue Baptist, 10.30 a. m., Rev. C. E. Creitz, D. D., Reading, Pa.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. W. W. Rowe, Ph. D., Newton, N. C.

Central Baptist, Clay and Van Buren Sts.—10.30, Rev. G. E. Boomershine, Wichita, Kan.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. W. H. Wotring, D. D., Nazareth, Pa.

Third Street Baptist, East Third St.—10.30 a. m., Rev. J. M. Mullan, Baltimore, Md.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Lancaster, Pa.

Trinity Lutheran, Germantown and Broadway—10.30 a. m., Rev. C. W. Walck, Manchester, Md.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. J. R. Rothermel, East Petersburg, Pa.

City Rescue Mission, East Fifth St.—7.30 p. m., Rev. W. S. Harman, Braddock, Pa.

National Military Home—10.00 a. m., Rev. T. F. Herman, D. D., Lancaster, Pa.

Trinity M. E., Valley St.—10.30 a. m., Rev. Scott R. Wagner, Reading, Pa.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. Floyd R. Shafer, Tatamy, Pa.

Ohmer Park M. E.—10.30 a. m., Rev. W. F. DeLong, Annville, Pa.

Walnut Hills Christian—10.30 a. m., Rev. R. C. Zartman, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. T. A. Alspach, Chambersburg, Pa.

Miami Valley Hospital—9.00 a. m., Rev. G. S. Sorber, D. D., York, Pa.

Miamisburg—10.30 a. m., Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Xenia—10.30 a. m., Rev. E. N. Evans, Kansas City, Mo.

David and Zion's—10.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m., Rev. A. M. Keifer, Greenville, Pa.

Germantown—10.30 a. m. and 2.30 p. m., Rev. H. C. Burghalter, Tiffin, Ohio.

Beaver Congregations—10.30 a. m., Rev. E. E. Zechiel, Stouts-ville, O.

Mt. Zion—2.30 p. m., Rev. E. F. Evemeyer, Easton, Pa.

Hawker's Congregation—2.30 p. m., Rev. E. E. Engle, Lancaster, O.

Sugar Creek U. P.—10.30 a. m., Rev. E. S. Hassler, Uniontown, O.

Evangelical Association—7.30 p. m., Rev. E. E. Zechiel, Stouts-ville, O.; 10.30 a. m., Rev. B. F. Stern, Philadelphia, Pa.

Broadway M. E.—10.30 a. m., Rev. Clayton H. Ranck, Philadelphia, Pa.

Summit Street Baptist—10.30 a. m., Rev. H. J. Rohrbaugh, Akron, O.; 7.30 p. m., Rev. T. A. Alspach, Chambersburg, Pa.

Forest Avenue Presbyterian—10.30 a. m., Rev. Paul Barringer, Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

Warder Street M. E.—10.30 a. m., Rev. F. Mayer, D. D., Youngs-town, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HALE, D. D.,

N. B. MATHES,	O. W. HAULMAN,
E. A. KIELSMEIER,	F. A. SHULTS,
A. B. DIEFENBACH,	C. G. BEAVER.

SYNODICAL MINUTES

2. Report of the Standing Committee on Minutes of General Synod, 1914

The Standing Committee on Minutes of General Synod submitted its report at the second session. It was considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. It reads as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Minutes of General Synod begs leave to present the following items:

Item 1, pages 39 and 457. (a) Committee appointed on the John Huss Celebration.

(b) Committee appointed on the observance of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation.

(c) Committee appointed on the Anniversary of the Huguenot Massacre.

Item 2, pages 23 and 411. A Permanent Commission on Closer Relations appointed with special reference to union with the Reformed Church in America.

Item 3, page 54. Committee on Zwingli Manuscripts continued.

Item 4, page 54. Report on Church Hymnal and Directory.

Item 5, page 56. Report of Permanent Commission on Moral and Religious Education.

Item 6, page 56. Report of Railroad Agent of General Synod.

Item 7, page 62. Report of Temperance Commission.

Item 8, page 64. Report of Committee on the Bible and Moral Instruction in the Public School.

Item 9, page 71. Report of Committee on Hymnal and Psalter.

Item 10 (a), page 71. Report of Committee for World Conference on Faith and Order. (b) page 93. Report of Special Committee on Colors and Seal.

Item 11, page 100. Report of Committee to organize the Synod of the Southwest.

Item 12, pages 112 and 457. Report of Special Committee on Ursinus Tablet.

Item 13, page 122. The Board of Ministerial Relief requested to report definite plans for pensions.

Item 14, page 122. Report of Special Committee to cooperate with the Presbyterian Historical Society.

Item 15, page 123. Report of Special Committee on Recovery of Smithfield Church Property.

Item 16, pages 128 and 392. Report of Executive Commission of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the World.

Item 17, pages 129 and 392. Report of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding Presbyterian System.

Item 18, pages 130 and 392. Report of Delegates to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Item 19, page 132. Report of Committee on Correspondence with Continental Churches.

Item 20, page 194. (a) The Home Mission Board to formulate the plan for relieving the Missions of their debts.

(b) Page 195. The Home Mission Board to foster closer affiliation with German and English portions of the Church and to cultivate Church Community.

(c) Page 196. The Home Mission Board requested to consider Mission work among the Jews.

Item 21, page 231. (a) The Board of Ministerial Relief requested to continue its efforts for unifying the relief work of the Church.

(b) Page 232. The Societies of Relief requested to continue to report to General Synod through the Board.

(c) Page 232. The action of the Classes on the adoption or rejection of the Sustentation Plan to be reported to the Secretary of the Board.

(d) Page 232. The Committee on Ministerial Relief requested to send letters of sympathy and confidence.

Item 22 (a), page 282. The Publication and Sunday-school Board authorized to coöperate with other publishing agencies.

(b) page 455. The Publication and Sunday-school Board authorized to publish in pamphlet form addresses on the Heidelberg Catechism.

Item 23, page 382. (a) The Foreign Mission Board authorized to effect certain loans.

(b) To provide additional missionaries, chapels, and equipment.

(c) To coöperate with interdenominational missionary movements.

(d) To open a mission station in the Moslem world.

Item 24, page 391. Report of the Permanent Committee on work among the colored people.

Item 25, page 392. Reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Item 26, page 397. Report of the Board of Orphans' Homes.

Item 27, page 398. Report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies.

Item 28, page 404. Report of United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

Item 29, page 406. (a) The United Missionary and Stewardship Committee to consider the subject of standing orders and the order of business for the General Synod.

(b) In connection with the Stated Clerk to prepare the order of business for the next General Synod.

Item 30, page 429. General Synod apportions certain amounts for Home and Foreign Missions and for Contingent Expenses upon its several Synods.

Item 31, page 449. Report of District Synods on the creation of the Board of Beneficiary Education of General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Item 32, page 455. (a) The thanks of the General Synod to be expressed to Prof. Haddorn and Prof. Berg.

(b) Balance of expenses of Dr. Lang to be paid by the Treasurer.

(c) President of Synod authorized to appoint delegates to a Peace Conference.

(d) United Missionary and Stewardship Committee requested to bring to the attention of the General Synod early in its sessions any desired amendments to the Constitution.

(e) The Stated Clerk instructed to insert into the Minutes the final report of the Roll Clerk.

Item 33, page 456. General Synod to meet in Dayton, Ohio, May 16, 1917, and to be entertained on the Harvard plan.

Item 34, pages 27 and 418. Report of Treasurer, E. A. Rice.

Item 35. Miscellaneous Instructions to the Stated Clerk and the officers of Synod.

(a) Page 101. Stated Clerk to call attention to an irregularity in the Minutes of the Synod of the Northwest.

(b) Page 133. Officers of Synod instructed to send resolutions to the Prussian Upper Consistory.

(c) Page 135. Stated Clerk instructed to address communication to the family of Dr. Geo. D. Matthews and to forward resolutions on Naval Appropriation Bill and Chaplains for the Navy.

(d) Page 384. Corresponding Secretary instructed to communicate to foreign missionaries the action taken by Synod upon certain items of interest to them.

(e) Page 405. Stated Clerk instructed to report the creation of of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee to Synods and Classes.

(f) Page 405. Stated Clerk instructed to inform the Synods of the adoption of an item on church finance.

(g) Page 407. Stated Clerk instructed to communicate the action in Item 8 to the various Church Boards.

(h) Page 429. Stated Clerk directed to certify the bills of the General Synod.

(i) Page 431. Stated Clerk authorized to revise statistical blanks in accordance with the action of the General Synod.

(j) Page 444. Stated Clerk instructed to publish report of the Special Committee on Defining Terms.

(k) Page 446. Stated Clerk directed to place copy of the "Survey" in the archives of the Synod.

(l) Page 95. Printing and distribution of Minutes of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

REVS. A. S. WEBER, *Chairman*.

E. M. BECK,

C. G. SHUPE,

ELDERS F. J. FRICK,

C. P. SPRINGER.

The action taken on the foregoing report is as follows:

Item 1. The reports on sections (a), (b), and (c) were presented when the order of the day arrived and adopted as follows:

(a) The Committee on the Celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of John Huss would report that this Anniversary was generally observed in Europe in spite of the war. A great celebration was held in Bohemia by the Reformed Church at Prague. It was also very generally observed in this country by the different denominations. In our Church it was observed in

the various church courts and congregations. We believe that this anniversary has been an inspiration to our Church and brought blessing to many congregations and church members.

JAMES I. GOOD, *Chairman*.

(b) Your Committee on the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation would make the following report:

They drew up a plan for the proper observance of that anniversary. This they published in the Church papers and also had a copy mailed to every minister of our Church. The plan is as follows:

PLAN FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE QUARTO-CENTENARY OF THE REFORMATION, 1917

In pursuance with the action of the General Synod at Lancaster in 1914 its Committee on the Observance of the Quarto-centenary of the Reformation would present the following general plan to the Reformed Church.

1. That the period of its observance be between October 31, 1916, and the end of October, 1917. The former date will satisfy those in our Church who desire some celebration in 1916 and the latter date will give time for all the Synods to observe it and will suit our German brethren who are accustomed to observe October 31st as Reformation Day.

2. That it be suitably observed during that period by all the Synods and Classes at their annual meetings and by the CONGREGATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS of our Church and that they arrange for its observance at such time and place as may be most convenient and in such manner as they deem most suitable.

3. The Committee would call attention to the special dates of historic interest on or near which this anniversary would be suitably observed. January 1st, the date of Zwingli's birth (1484), and also the beginning of his work at Zurich (1519). January 19th, the Reformation Day appointed by our General Synod. Whitsunday, when Zwingli preached (1518) at Einsiedeln on Luke 5: 18-26. May 14, when Elector Frederick III (1566) made his great defence of our Catechism at Augsburg. July 10, the birthday of Calvin (1509), or the latter part of July, when Farel called Calvin to stay at Geneva as Reformer (1516). October 11, when Zwingli died (1531). October 31, when Luther nailed up his theses (1517). As the different congregations will probably observe this anniversary at different times these dates may be helpful.

4. The committee would suggest that in a general way the earlier observance in this period be devoted to the causes and beginnings of the Reformation, the middle dates to its history, the later dates to its conclusion, results and influence on us. The subject of the Reformation is very large and this plan may prevent too much reduplication of topics.

They would also report that the Anniversary has been very generally observed in our congregations, Classes and Synods and

also at the General Synod which will devote an evening to it. They believe that this Anniversary has been of great interest to the Church—that it has helped to develop our denominational consciousness and that it has inspired our congregations and pastors to greater activity. Prominent in its observance was the holding of a Reformation Pageant, which was given under the auspices of our Publication and Sunday School Board in several cities. Notably two special efforts have come out of this Reformation Anniversary. One has been the effort by the Publication and Sunday School Board to raise \$100,000 for the Schaff Building in Philadelphia and also to increase the membership and efficiency of our Sunday Schools. The other has been the effort made by the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries in our Church to raise a million dollars for a better equipment of these institutions. We rejoice that this Anniversary has led to such tangible results as these and we wish them great success. The chairman of the committee attended (as suggested by the last General Synod) the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America in 1914 and laid before them the suggestion of a joint observance of this Reformation Anniversary. They received the suggestion very cordially and appointed a committee, of which the Rev. I. P. Gowen, D. D., was the chairman. The chairman of our committee attended a meeting of that committee, where suggestions were made for joint meetings of the two churches to be held in New Brunswick, N. J., and Akron, O. But probably owing to the fact that the movement toward a union of the two Reformed churches has not progressed, no further efforts have been made to carry out this programme. The chairman and Mr. George A. Laubach attended a meeting, called by Rev. Dr. Macfarland of the Federation of Protestant Churches in New York in the fall of 1916. This meeting was composed of the Reformation committees of the different Protestant Churches. That meeting appointed a joint committee on the Reformation, of which Rev. W. H. Roberts, D. D., of the Presbyterian Church, is chairman, and Rev. Mr. Gold, of the Lutheran Church, secretary. Two of the members of our committee, Rev. Drs. Richards and Good, are on that committee. That committee will probably prepare for large interdenominational meetings of Protestants in the large cities of our country.

Your committee would in closing recommend that the General Synod extend the time limit suggested by our committee in its communication to the Church as given above, namely that this Reformation Anniversary be not closed on October 31, 1917, but continue until our Reformation Day January 19, 1918. We suggest this in order that certain observances of the Anniversary may be more fully carried out.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD,	
GEORGE W. RICHARDS,	GEO. A. LAUBACH,
J. C. GEKELER,	LOUIS BAUMAN.

(c) Your Committee on the 350th Anniversary of the Huguenot Settlement and Massacre in Florida in 1565 would report that it has been unable to do anything toward the erection of a permanent memorial of that event. The chairman of our committee wrote to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church South only to find that they had no church in the neighborhood of that settlement. At their suggestion he wrote to the pastor of the Northern Presbyterian Church at St. Augustine, Florida. But that congregation was changing pastors, in fact, did not have a pastor for some time, and so nothing could be done through them. He also wrote to the pastor of the Huguenot Church at Charleston, S. C., as the nearest Huguenot Church to the settlement. But he received no reply. He has learned since that that church is now served by an Episcopalian, who perhaps did not feel interested in the approaches of non-Episcopalians. As nothing could be done in that direction, an appeal was sent in 1915 to the different Synods of our Church, as their meetings occurred at the season of the year which was nearest to the exact date of the anniversary. We can report that several of them held suitable services, at which important addresses were made on the faith and heroism of the Florida Huguenots. This was done in the Eastern Synod by Rev. George W. Richards, D. D., in the Ohio Synod by Rev. Edward Herbruck, D. D., and in the Pittsburgh Synod and in various congregations and the Baltimore Ministerium of the Reformed Church in the Potomac Synod by Rev. Cyrus Cort, D. D., a number of Classes, especially among the Germans, also observed this anniversary. Lengthy articles were also furnished to our Reformed Church papers on the subject.

Your committee did all that it could to stimulate interest in that anniversary and it believes that the anniversary was helpful to our Church wherever observed.

JAMES I. GOOD,
CYRUS CORT.

Item 2. The following report was presented, referred to the Standing Committee on Sister Churches, later adopted, and the committee continued:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: Your Committee received no overtures from other churches relating to church union, and made no proposals to other churches for closer union. Accordingly, no meeting of the Committee was held and no business was transacted during the last triennium. The Committee, however, recommends the continuance of the Commission for the coming triennium.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. RICHARDS,	
C. E. MILLER,	J. SPANGLER KIEFFER,
A. E. DAHLMANN,	R. W. MILLER,
ALBERT ANKENY,	E. A. RICE.

Item 3 with the accompanying report was adopted and Dr. James Crawford and Elder F. C. Brunhouse were added to the Committee.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on the Publication of the Works of Zwingli would report as follows:

Since the last General Synod we have been making efforts to have the Theological Works of Zwingli published. Careful plans were laid, which, had we been able to carry them out, would have enabled us to publish the Second Volume of Zwingli's Works in connection with this Reformation Year. We succeeded in gathering together with the \$269.90 which our committee had in hand at the last meeting of General Synod) sufficient money and pledges from different individuals and institutions to warrant the publication of the second volume. In addition we succeeded in having a plan for the publication of the Zwingli Works approved by the Western Section of the Reformed Alliance. That plan was sent down to its constituent churches. Each of them with one exception agreed to give its pro rata share. In this way we hoped to get from \$1000 to \$1200 with which to publish the second and third volumes. You can from this see that your committee has not been idle.

Unfortunately a difficulty developed over which we have had no control and which has effectually blocked further progress. The nephew and heir of Rev. S. M. Jackson, D. D. (who had these translations made), a lawyer in New York City, is the owner of the copies of Volume I, that are still unsold. Your committee, together with Prof. Rockwell of Union Theological Seminary, the custodian of the translations, called on Mr. Jackson nearly a year ago and asked him to donate those volumes to us. For it is evident that we could not very well go ahead with Volume II until Volume I was in our possession. This he agreed to do. But up to the present time he has done nothing. And though efforts have been made to get him to legally turn those "Volumes I" over to us he has taken no steps to do so. Until he does something we can do nothing. Our last step has been to endeavor to get legal advice to see what is to be done in the matter. The amount at present in the hands of the committee is \$294.90.

Your committee greatly regrets that, already in this Reformation Year, a volume has not been published. It yet hopes that something may yet be done before the year closes. We would, therefore, ask the continuance of the committee, in the hope that our present difficulty may be overcome and the publication of the works be assured.

JAMES I. GOOD,
 GEORGE W. RICHARDS, GEORGE A. WOOD,
 ISRAEL LOUCKS, P. W. SIEBERT.

The following supplemental resolution was presented on Tuesday evening and adopted:

Resolved, That General Synod approves the plan of raising money for the Zwingli publications, as suggested by the Western section of the Reformed and Presbyterian Alliance, and refers it to its Committee on Zwingli Publications to raise the amount.

Item 4. The following report was presented, its items severally considered and action deferred pending the report of the Special Committee on New Hymnal.

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee, having in charge the matter relating to the Church Hymnal and Directory of Worship begs to report, *first*, that during the triennium no additional copies of the Directory of Worship have been printed; *second*, that the Hymnal has been printed as usual and royalty paid by the Publication and Sunday-school Board and the Central Publishing House to the several Ministerial Relief agencies, in accordance with the action of the General Synod. An inexpensive word edition was issued to help churches in the transition between the use of the present Church Hymnal and the proposed new Church Hymnal; *third*, your committee begs to call your attention to the fact that it is likely the sales of the present Church Hymnal will greatly decrease owing to the publication of the new Church Hymnal. In fact, the sales during the past triennium have been smaller on account of the prospect of the new book.

Your committee, therefore, believes that it would be fair and equitable to the publishers, in view of their heavy investment in hymn plates, to relieve the publishers as to the payment of a royalty of ten cents per copy on the present Church Hymnal. We recommend for your approval,

First, That the royalty on the present Church Hymnal to the Ministerial Relief Agencies be discontinued.

Second, That the committee be continued in order to meet any questions that may arise during the coming triennium relating to the Church Hymnal and the Directory of Worship.

Respectfully submitted,

RUFUS W. MILLER,
AUGUST BECKER.

Item 5. The report was presented on Saturday afternoon. Following an address by Dr. Henry H. Apple it was adopted and the commission continued:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Commission on Moral and Religious Education begs leave to report as follows:

It is a matter of great gratification that the institutions of the Church have carried out the suggestion of our last report in the formation of the Association of Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries of the Reformed Church in the United States.

We recommend for your consideration the following items:

1. That we rejoice in the movements that are in progress throughout the Church for deepening the interest of our people in Christian education in the home and Sunday-school and as carried forward by our institutions of learning; and that we commend these movements to the Synods and the Classes as fitting for the proper commemoration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation.

2. That the action of the General Synod relative to Education Day be reiterated, and that the Commission be directed and authorized to aid in any way in its power in the proper observance of the day.

3. That the General Synod records its conviction that our Reformed Church institutions should provide in their curricula and through organizations of their several student bodies for training and leadership of young men and young women through the local churches and communities, in missions, Bible study, social service, &c., and definitely relate such activities to their academic duties during their college courses.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. MILLER,	HENRY J. CHRISTMAN,
GEO. LESLIE OMWAKE,	JOSEPH H. APPLE,
JOHN C. BOWMAN,	C. CLEVER,
HENRY H. APPLE,	RUFUS W. MILLER.

Item 6. The report of Rev. Cyrus Cort, D. D., was adopted and an order for \$2 to cover postage expenses and another for \$25, as a compensation for work done by Dr. Cort, were drawn upon the Treasurer of the General Synod. The Corresponding Secretary was instructed to express the thanks of General Synod for Dr. Cort's labors through many years in this capacity, and he was reappointed to attend to these duties for the next General Synod. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

REVEREND BRETHREN: In the latter part of March I sent out an official statement to delegates and others expecting to attend the General Synod of Dayton, May, 1917. This was based on information received from leading railroad officials after extensive correspondence. Commissioner Mr. McDonald of the Central Traffic Association wrote that he could do nothing for us unless we guaranteed the presence of one thousand persons. This, of course, we could not do.

In reference to many requests from local railroad agents I sent lists of Stated Clerks of Classes with their post office addresses, who could furnish all applicants with names of all delegates, lay and clerical, with addresses before the lists were published in the Church papers. I regret that none of the roads granted reductions to lay delegates after earnest entreaty.

The Baltimore and Ohio, the Western Maryland, and Pennsylvania Railroad Systems agreed to transport all ministers to Dayton and back for half fare who held clerical tickets. This was a great saving to many brethren who had to pay full fare three years ago. General Passenger Agent Jas. R. Anderson of the Pennsylvania Road stipulated that clerical delegates going west of Pittsburgh on his road must apply to him through local ticket agent and division agents for the benefit of half fare privileges. Subordinate officials assured brethren that clerical tickets would take brethren through to Dayton, without any additional authority. In either case it is assured that they get through on half fare. In my thirty years of service as railroad agent of General Synod I have never heard of any delegate failing to receive benefits promised who obeyed directions.

It is a matter of especial regret to me that I cannot be with you in person at Dayton, as I have enjoyed the privilege of attending every meeting of the General Synod since its organization in Pittsburgh, in 1863 or 54 years ago. But while my general health has been reasonably good for a man over 83 years old there are times when it is advisable for me to be not far from home. Such a time is on me now and I have yielded to the request of wife and children not to go to General Synod this time. I trust that you may have a pleasant and profitable meeting in Dayton, and that the richest blessing of the great Head of the Church may rest upon your labors.

Respectfully submitted,

CYRUS CORT.

Item 7. The report on this item was laid on the table until the order of the day, referred to the Special Committee on Temperance and action taken in that connection. See page 36.) The report is as follows:

To the General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Commission on Temperance, consisting of the delegates from the General Synod to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, beg to report that they have coöperated during the triennium with the Temperance Commission of the Federal Council; that the resolutions adopted by the General Synod, on the subject of temperance, were taken up generally by the several Synods and Classes and that, in the case of the Eastern Synod a Permanent Committee on Temperance has been appointed to coöperate with the General

Synod's Commission on Temperance and the Federal Council's Commission.

It is evident that the attitude of the Reformed Church on the subject of Temperance is clearly understood and that the action of the last General Synod has been a helpful factor in the cultivation of temperance sentiment in many of our congregations. The Temperance Commission has had testimony to this fact from every section of the Church.

During the triennium the commission was organized by the election of Rev. Rufus W. Miller as chairman and Rev. Charles E. Schaeffer as secretary. By appointment of the president of the Federal Council of Churches, the chairman of our General Synod's Commission on Temperance was reappointed chairman of the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance and since the last meeting of the Federal Council in December 1916, your chairman has been elected chairman of the Joint Executive Committee of the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance and the National Temperance Society.

The offices of the National Temperance Society and of the Commission on Temperance have been brought together and located at the headquarters of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, United Charities Building, New York.

It is gratifying to report that the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance is now so organized as to be in a position to serve the churches in a great campaign of temperance instruction.

Notable victories have been gained by temperance people of this country and of other countries. Great gains have been made in the fight against alcohol.

The campaign against the liquor traffic has been conducted along two lines—education and legislation. So far as the Church is concerned the need of the hour is the wise and systematic instruction of the people concerning the evils of alcohol and the duty of abstinence. Without an intelligent and aroused sentiment on the part of the people little can be done. It is possible that legislation has gone in advance of the creation of sound public sentiment, but the hopeful feature is the fact that more and more the churches of the land recognize their responsibility for educational temperance. The Christian Church is the moral and religious teacher of the nation. It has the grave responsibility of educating its members in temperance in all of its phases. The Church must lead in this work. It cannot abrogate its responsibility nor place it upon purely voluntary agencies.

The Reformed Church has a solemn duty in the matter of temperance. It must be fulfilled through your reverend body; through the District Synods, through the Classes and by pastors and congregations and Sunday Schools. We are of the conviction that temperance education and agitation in our Church should be carried forward in the closest possible coöperation with the Temperance

Commission of the Federal Council. The invaluable temperance literature now issued through this commission, including the National Temperance Advocate and temperance papers for the young people and children, should be largely circulated.

Your commission has been confronted with the difficulty of proper organization because of the lack of funds and because the members of the commission are widely scattered over the Church. We believe that it would be well for Synod's Commission on Temperance to be authorized to appoint a small Executive Committee to carry forward its campaign of temperance education and that, through this committee, steps could be taken to secure adequate financial support.

The last report of the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance stresses the economic aspects of the liquor question and gives a review of the temperance situation in labor circles. Both in this country and abroad it recommends that the churches give serious thought to the question of saloon substitutes. This is a subject worthy of the attention of our churches both in prohibition, local option and licensed districts of the country. It marks the progressive attitude of the Federal Council when mention is made of the fact that Rev. Charles Stelzle is an associate secretary of the Federal Council, charged with the duty of aiding in temperance work, particularly in labor circles, throughout the land. Rev. Mr. Stelzle is a well recognized leader and has the confidence of the labor unions and the better element of working men throughout the country.

The present hour is crucial and critical in the age-long fight against the overshadowing curse of drink. The next few years may determine whether the drink traffic shall die in our land or shall have a new lease of life. War measures may help, provided the churches rise to their opportunity and educate young and old as to the basic facts of the temperance reformation; the social and economic value of abstinence from alcohol, the fact that the use of alcohol even in moderate quantities, reduces a man's economic efficiency and that alcohol, as a beverage, is always a poison and an injury to health.

Your commission presents the following recommendations:

1. That the Temperance Commission of the General Synod be authorized to carry forward its work with a more thorough organization and to cooperate with the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance.

2. That Synod and Classes be requested to appoint committees or one special representative to cooperate with General Synod's Commission on Temperance.

3. That General Synod, through the Classes, commends the financial support of the Commission on Temperance and suggests to congregations, Sunday Schools and individuals the giving of free will offerings for the prosecution of this important educational work.

4. That our churches and schools, through Synods and Classes, undertake more fully than ever before a constructive program of temperance education and pledge-signing. That World's Temperance Sunday in November be observed and that the cause of patriotism and temperance be linked together in the observance of the Fourth of July—the national Independence Day. That temperance study classes and study groups for temperance be encouraged in churches and Sunday Schools, Organized Adult Classes and Young People's Societies.

5. That the General Synod reaffirm its conviction, in view of the scientific, economic and moral aspects of the use and sale of alcoholic beverages and liquors, that total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the state and nation, is the path of wisdom and safety.

That General Synod, at this solemn hour in our nation's history and in this crisis of the world, urges upon the membership of our congregations, the duty of self-sacrifice, of willingness to surrender one's personal predilections and previous point of view on the subject of the use of alcoholic beverages, the necessity, for the sake of the welfare of the nation and the world, of total abstinence and the prohibition of the liquor traffic and the duty of striving by voice and vote, in all ways which may be approved by the Christian conscience and judgment, for the enactment of such laws as will most speedily and effectively make America a temperance nation in the fullest sense of the word.

General Synod suggests that for the sake of conserving the food supply of the world, the economic resources of the nation and in the interests of health and the welfare of the children and the families of the nation, the Federal Congress should establish prohibition throughout the nation during the period of stress and trial through which the world is now passing.

Respectfully submitted,

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Chairman*,
CHARLES E. SCHAEFFER, *Secretary*.

The Special Committee on Temperance reported on Tuesday afternoon. The report was adopted as a whole. By special resolution the Stated Clerk was ordered to communicate the action of Synod on prohibition during the war to the United States Government.

To the General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Special Committee on Temperance reports as follows: There were referred to your committee the report of General Synod's Commission on Temperance and Item 10 of the report of the Standing Committee on Minutes of German Classes.

Your committee notes that the chairman of the General Synod's Commission has also served as chairman of the joint Executive

Committee of the Federal Council's Commission on Temperance and the National Temperance Society. There has been commendable progress in temperance sentiment throughout the entire world, and also within the membership of our Church. Said progress is especially noticeable within the commercial and labor circle of our country. The experience of the last two or three years has coincided with the teaching of advanced leaders of the past upon this important subject. This is a problem of supreme importance to the progress of the Kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ, and so also to the progress of human society. There is no more insidious foe of righteousness than King Alcohol. General Synod is only repeating the verdict of science when she pronounces alcohol a poison and not a food. In view of the millions of men and of women too, who have been and now are in the awful clutches of the drink demon, it behooves the Church of the Lord God to wage eternal war against it. Between these two there can be no truce as there can be none with any form of sin. It is war to the death. The traffic in intoxicating liquors and the use thereof as a beverage, General Synod believes to be contrary to the principles and the spirit of the Master, and therefore again calls on all the ministers and members of the denomination to use every effort to accomplish the overthrow of the traffic. In 1908 Synod "admonished members of the Church to cease from the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors for the honor of the Church and for the good of the brethren." Possibly the time has come for the Synod to go further and catch up with some of the fraternal organizations which positively forbid their members engaging in such occupation. With the judgment above expressed the voice of history and experience agree, likewise too, the voice of industry and commerce have been raised both against the use of and the traffic in alcoholic drinks. The frightful economic waste of grain and food products through the manufacture of such drinks in this time of national and international stress further demands its prohibition.

Your committee therefore recommends:

1. That General Synod hereby reiterates its position (Min. 1914, pp. 61-64) on the question of prohibition over against the dissenting Classes.

2. That General Synod's Commission on Temperance be continued and instructed to continue in coöperation with the Federal Council's Commission.

3. That Synods and Classes be requested to appoint committees or at least appoint special representatives to coöperate with General Synod's Commission on Temperance.

4. That General Synod, through the Classes, commends the financial support of the Commission on Temperance and suggests to congregations, Sunday-schools, and individuals the making of free-will offerings for the prosecution of this important educational work.

5. That our churches and schools, through Synods and Classes, undertake more fully than ever before a constructive program of temperance education and pledge signing. That World's Temperance Sunday in November be observed and that the cause of patriotism and temperance be linked together in the observance of the Fourth of July, the national Independence Day. That temperance study classes and study groups for temperance be encouraged in churches and Sunday-schools, organized Adult Classes and Young People's Societies.

6. That General Synod reaffirm its conviction, in view of the scientific and moral aspects of the use and sale of alcoholic beverages and liquors, that *Total Abstinence for the Individual and Prohibition for the State and Nation* is the path of wisdom and safety.

7. That General Synod hereby endorses the movement of the National Congress and the Army and Navy authorities in the establishment of "White Zones" around all military and naval camps and stations of the United States, for the protection and conservation of the young manhood in the service of the Government, in which zones the sale of all intoxicating liquors and institutions of vice be strictly prohibited.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. GEKELER,
E. E. KRESGE,
EMORY L. COBLENTZ.

Item 8. This report was presented on Thursday afternoon and adopted as a whole. For committee on items 3 and 4 see list of special committees, page 16.

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on the Bible and Moral Instruction in the Public Schools begs to report as follows:

Your committee asked of the last General Synod the appointment of a committee of three ministers and two elders (who are public school men), who could live in close proximity to each other that they might be able to hold conferences at least each year and give annually such directions to the Church as deemed fitting in regard to the Bible and Moral Instruction in the public school. The committee was not appointed and at the close of the session the old committee was continued of which no record was made in the printed minutes. We regret that this action was taken as your present committee, on account of distance, had no chance of having a conference. The chairman himself through the help and courtesy of the National Reform Association of Pittsburgh, in July, 1915, sent a letter along with some literature to each minister in the Church relative to a Day of Prayer for public schools. This cost your committee only the postage, viz., \$20, which was paid by the

Treasurer of General Synod. The clerical work and the stationery was contributed by the Reform Association. During 1916 nothing was done.

To the best of our knowledge no change has been made in any state laws relative to the use of the Bible in the public schools. For these laws we would refer you to the report of the Committees in Minutes of General Synod, 1914.

What is known as the North Dakota Plan, with a view of having the Bible studied in the high schools and pupils be given credit for such work, has made some progress. The plan has been adopted in the state of Indiana where 32 commissioned high schools use the plan and have 1405 pupils enrolled in Bible study. Of these, 715 meet in Sunday-school, 321 in high schools, 120 in Y. M. C. A.'s, and Y. W. C. A.'s, 211 in churches, 12 in other places and 26 study alone. Of the 109 teachers, 40 are ministers, 34 public school teachers and 35 other persons.

The Colorado Plan is educationally sounder in that it requires teachers who conform to the standards of high school requirements. Forty recitations of 45 minutes each are required each year for four years.

In these places the work at best is but an experiment. The question resolves itself to this. Shall the Bible be taught in the public schools and become a part of the school curriculum? Much thought has been given to this subject by both leaders in religious education and public school men. The Religious Educational Association considered this whole question as a major in its Chicago program last year. After long debates and extensive considerations it gave as its findings the following.

1. The Church and the State are to be regarded as distinct institutions which, as far as possible, coöperate through the agency of their common constituents in their capacity as individual citizens.

2. All children are entitled to an organic program of education which shall include adequate facilities not only for general, but for religious instruction and training.

3. Such a division of the child's time as will allow opportunity and strength for religious education should be reached by consultation between parents and public school authorities without formal agreement between the State and the Churches as institutions.

4. The work of religious instruction and training should be done by such institutions as the home, the church and the private school, and not by the public school, nor in official connection with the public school.

5. The work of religious education must depend for dignity, interest and stimulus upon the recognition of its worth, not merely by public school authorities, but by the people themselves as represented in the homes, the churches, private schools and colleges and industries.

The question comes up—What about the Bible in the public schools? Your committee is of the opinion that the reading of God's word without comment and the committing to memory of certain sections of the Word by the pupils (such as some of the Psalms) is of deep significance in their spiritual life. They are taught to honor the Book as of moral and spiritual worth. It has its own message to give to the pupil and will authenticate itself to the heart of the pupil. Morality will be the outflow of the spiritual apprehension of God in Christ Jesus that comes to the child by the reading of the Word.

Your committee is also of the opinion that the Church should be vitally interested in the public schools, that constant interest should be taken in them by the Christian people and that a day of prayer should be held in each church for the boys and girls, teachers and officers in the schools of the land. There then would come down from the Church into the schools the Spirit of the Lord. And the reading of the Bible would be the natural consequence. The Spirit would use the Word and give it life and power.

Your committee therefore recommends for your consideration:

1. That the General Synod hereby endorses the findings of the Religious Educational Association on this subject as reported above.

2. That the General Synod sends down to the several Classes a request that in every charge of the Reformed Church there be observed a Day of Prayer for public schools and give such other considerations to them as shall be best suited to the place and the circumstances.

3. That a committee of three ministers and two elders (who shall be public school men) be appointed, whose duty it shall be to prepare or secure literature on this subject for distribution, to secure all such information as shall be of value to any organization and to represent the General Synod in all efforts made by Boards and institutions to further the use of Bible and Moral Instruction in the public school.

4. That this committee be composed of men who live in close proximity to each other in order that they may have meetings for conference and action.

5. That General Synod grant the sum of \$100 to the committee for its work.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS ROBB,
C. CLEVER.

Item 9. The report on this item was read by Dr. Good and referred with all the material and a printed List of Hymns and Tunes to a special committee which reported on Tuesday morning. The report read by Dr. Good is as follows:

The Committee has chosen as the name of the new Hymnal "The Hymnal of the Reformed Church." To show the thoroughness of our work we have revised our list of hymns and tunes no less than five times. In regard to the hymns and tunes we would make the following statement.

THE HYMNS

The number of hymns in the new book is about 650. Of these, 280 are in our old Hymnal. These figures show that we have set aside about half of the hymns in our old book, but those we have cast out have been those least sung. We have retained enough of the best and most familiar hymns, sufficient at any rate for congregations to use the old and new book together for awhile, while introducing it, although we hope it will replace the present Hymnal as soon as possible, though persons here and there miss an old friend, yet their loss is more than made up by the large number of new and modern hymns (about 380) in the new book. We have replaced Watts and Wesley by the hymns of modern hymn writers as Matheson, Bonar, Havergal, Palmer, Longfellow, Whittier, Tennyson, Van Dyke, Gladden, North and others. Another advantage of the new book is the much larger variety in the subjects of the hymns, important occasions in the Church, for which our present Hymnal had scarcely a hymn, or perhaps none at all, are now provided for. We might mention some of the newer topics on which we have introduced hymns—Social Service, Brotherhood, Peace, Mother's Day, Education, Organ dedication, and Bell dedication, etc. We have aimed to provide as far as possible for all the occasions that may arise in the Church. Some occasions for which our present Hymnal had no hymns as a hymn for a farewell service to a missionary or a hymn on missions to the Jews (important now because our Church has begun work among the Jews) have been introduced. The older subjects, as missions, have been enlarged and improved by the addition of the newer hymns, many of them most excellent. A sufficient number of Children Hymns have been introduced for Churches that have a Junior congregation. An especial feature has been denominational hymns as of Zwingli, Calvin, and also hymns by the authors of our Reformed Churches suitable for anniversaries such as we are having this year. Some fine hymns have come to us from the Dutch Reformed Church, as their splendid ordination hymn by Rev. Dr. Wortman, "God of the Prophets Bless the Prophets' Sons." From this it is easy to see that though the number of hymns is smaller than in our present Hymnal (650 over against 750) yet the variety is greater. In the arrangement of the hymns, the Committee has endeavored to combine the Church year with the modern arrangement as found in the best hymn books of today. It is as follows:

ORDER OF ARRANGEMENT

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| 1. Opening of Service. | g. Trial and Temptation. |
| 2. Close of Service. | h. The Communion of Saints. |
| 3. Morning. | i. Prayer. |
| 4. Evening. | j. Aspiration. |
| 5. The Lord's Day. | 12. The Scripture. |
| 6. General Praise. | 13. The Church and Ministry. |
| 7. God the Father. | 14. The Sacraments. |
| 8. Our Lord Jesus Christ. | 15. The Kingdom of God. |
| a. Advent. | a. Service and Brotherhood. |
| b. Nativity. | b. Warfare. |
| c. Epiphany. | c. Missions. |
| d. Temptation. | d. Eternal Life. |
| e. Life Ministry and Exam-
ple. | 16. Occasional Hymns. |
| f. Passion and Crucifixion. | a. Burial Service. |
| g. Resurrection. | b. The Year. |
| h. Ascension and Reign. | c. Reformed, Denomination
al and Anniversary. |
| 9. The Holy Spirit. | d. National. |
| 10. The Trinity. | e. Harvest and Thanksgiv-
ing. |
| 11. The Christian Life. | f. Marriage. |
| a. Salvation. | g. The Home. |
| b. Invitation. | h. Education. |
| c. Repentance. | i. For Those at Sea. |
| d. Consecration and Faith. | j. Children's Service. |
| e. Trust. | 17. Chants—Doxologies. |
| f. Love and Gratitude. | |

THE TUNES

The aim of the Committee has been to follow the latest method of hymn books and place a tune to each hymn. In a few cases, we placed two tunes to a hymn, especially where we found that the Dutch Church had grown accustomed to one tune and our Church to another. This has increased the number of tunes, but the small increase of cost caused by it will be more than met by the larger circulation in both of the Reformed Churches. As to the character of the tunes, whether high or low in musical grade, artistic or simple, the problem was a difficult one. This is easily seen when it is remembered that many of our congregations want a high grade of music, while there are on the other hand quite a number that can not sing such a high grade music. Our aim has been to try and suit both classes by placing under a new or artistic tune, the name of a simple familiar tune. We thus hope to satisfy as far as possible the varying demands of the different congregations. In regard to the tunes, our ideal has been to select a tune that combined a good melody with a good harmony. Our desire is that the hymn book may encourage congregational singing which has always been the glory of the Protestant Church. Thus we have lowered the pitch of several tunes that were too high and

we have also in one or two cases placed them a half note higher. The great aim of the Committee has been to suit the many varying kinds of congregations in our Church. We trust, therefore, that any who may criticize the book will take this broad view and remember that the book was not arranged for any one Church or class of people, but for the whole Church.

CHANTS

A set of chants has been added somewhat fuller than in our present hymnal, together with Jackson's *Te Deum*, we expect to have the chants printed after the most approved modern fashion. Thus the accented or prolonged syllable or word will be printed in heavy-faced type so that there may be no confusion in the chanting.

INDEXES

Full and complete indexes of the first lines of the hymns—the alphabetical and metrical list of the tunes, together with the names of authors and composers will be added. A large topical index will be given thus, doing away with the Scripture text index. These indexes will be placed in the front of the book.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD,

AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT,

J. H. RETTIG.

HENRY C. NOTT,

JOS. H. APPLE,

E. P. SKYLES,

E. L. COBLENTZ.

The Report of the Special Committee on the Preparation of a new Hymnal is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your special committee appointed to consider the report of the Committee on the Preparation of a New Hymnal herewith submits the following report:

We have examined to the best of our ability the voluminous material assembled by this committee. The time at our disposal for so doing has been limited. We are, however, convinced of the arduous and painstaking efforts required in the performance of a task of such magnitude and importance as the formation of a new Hymnal. And we believe that the splendid and untiring labors of this Hymnal Committee should be gratefully recognized by your reverend body.

We offer the following for your favorable consideration:

1. We recommend that the collection of hymns, together with the chants, *Te Deum*, and musical responses, as made by the Hymnal Committee of General Synod, be approved and be submitted to all the Classes for adoption or rejection.

2. We recommend the approval of the responsive readings as arranged by the Hymnal Committee of General Synod, and that the committee appointed to edit the new Hymnal be instructed to use the text of the American Revised Version of the Bible in these responsive readings.

3. We recommend that the part of the report of the Hymnal Committee relating to the subject matter of the Hymnal, including the index of the first lines, tunes, and authors be printed and sent down immediately to all the Classes, through the Stated Clerk.

4. We recommend that the Synod direct the Classes, either at the annual meeting this year, or at a meeting specially called as soon as possible after the meeting of this General Synod, to take action upon the Hymnal in accordance with the provisions of the constitution, and that each Classis send a copy of its action as soon as possible to the Stated Clerk of the General Synod.

5. We commend that the Stated Clerk, in event of the adoption of the Hymnal by two-thirds of the Classes, shall communicate the fact to the Hymnal Committee and that the General Synod herewith approves of its provisional publication.

6. We recommend that the Hymnal Committee be continued as the Editorial Committee in the event of the publication of the Hymnal, and that the new Hymnal be published by either the Publication and Sunday School Board of the Reformed Church or by the Central Publishing House. That the work be done either by an agreement between them as to price and profits or by an open competition between them as to prices and terms; and that an equitable agreement be made with the Board of Publication and Bible School Work of the Reformed Church in America for an edition of the Hymnal with their imprint.

7. We recommend that the publication of a Word Edition be left to the judgment of the publishers.

8. We recommend that in such cases when by reason of copyright conditions a proposed hymn or tune cannot be obtained that the Hymnal Committee shall have authority to substitute others.

9. We recommend that a committee of nine be appointed, three representing the constituency of the Eastern Theological Seminary, three the constituency of the Central Theological Seminary, and three the constituency of the Mission House, the Professor of Liturgics in each of these three seminaries to be a member of this committee, to prepare a new Liturgy, in accordance with accepted Reformed principles, and report to the next General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER,

FREDERICK C. SEITZ,	ALFRED GRETHER,
CHAS. B. ALSPACH,	JAS. S. FREEMAN,
D. S. STEPHAN,	G. D. ROBB,
CARL F. HEYL,	DAVID I. PRUGH.

The foregoing report was adopted item by item. By special resolution General Synod requested that the President of Synod be a member of the Committee on New Liturgy from the constituency of the Central Theological Seminary. (See special committees, page 16.)

Item 10 (a) was tabled until the order of the day, as per Blue Book, and then referred to the Standing Com-

mittee on Correspondence with Sister Churches. (For action see report of said committee.) The report of the Committee on Conference on Faith and Order is as follows:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Faith and Order would report that they have attended to their duties so far as they were laid upon them by the Commission of Faith and Order. In our Report to the last General Synod we stated that a deputation has visited the British Isles and that a similar deputation had been appointed to visit the continent of Europe in the summer and fall of 1914. The breaking out of the war that summer prevented that deputation from visiting Europe and conferring with the different Churches about entering on the great Faith and Order movement. But though the progress of the movement has been checked over there by the war, the American Section of the Commission has gone on with its work, preparatory to the holding of a great World Conference on Faith and Order. It held a Conference of the American Churches on January 4-6, 1916, at Garden City, Long Island. This Conference was called a "Preparatory Conference" as it was intended simply to prepare the way for the holding of the World's Conference. It was attended by 61 delegates from fourteen of the leading religious bodies in America. Our Church was represented in it by Rev. James I. Good, D. D. To this Conference Mr. Robert Gardiner reported that 57 coöperating communions (or as we say, churches) had entered into the movement. A most delightful spirit of unity pervaded that Conference. It was presided over by Bishop Anderson of the Episcopal Church of Chicago. In his opening address he described the Conference as not pan-Catholic or pan-Protestant but pan-Christian, ecumenical in reach but without authority to bind, involving no risk or compromise for any, but inspired by a holy hope of manifesting the corporate unity of Christians." This Conference prepared a plan of procedure in the preparation for the World's Conference. We herewith submit its proceedings with the plan on page 41.

In pursuance with this plan a second Conference was held at Garden City in January, 1917, which was attended by Rev. Prof. George W. Richards. The delegates of the constituent churches were requested to prepare a statement of the points which each church holds in common with all the churches and of the distinctive characteristics of each church. These statements are to serve as a basis for an intelligent conference on the faith and order of the churches. Points of difference are to be faced as frankly as points of agreement in the hope that a closer fellowship between the churches of Christendom may result.

The progress of this movement has been slow. But this has been owing to the great difficulties involved and also to the outbreak of the European war. The proposal of this Faith and Order Movement, namely, the Reunion of all Christendom, has in it a profound significance which no church can ignore. Whether it

will succeed or not, or how far it will succeed, remains to be seen in the future. But your delegates can now be impressed by the very fraternal spirit of the members of this Commission and of the Churches which they represent. The Conferences have revealed a delightful spirit of Christian brotherhood, of mutual respect for each other's views and of greater harmony of expression than was expected. The Conferences have been impressive, devotional and inspiring. The Commission is very properly making haste slowly on one of the greatest and most difficult religious problems of the world. We suggest the continuation of this Committee, or if General Synod so judges, of the appointment of another Committee to attend to this work.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD,
GEORGE W. RICHARDS.

Item 10 (b). The report was adopted as follows and the committee continued:

Reformed Church Colors

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Reformed Colors and a Seal would make the following report. As action was taken at the last General Synod on the colors of the Church we need not report on that subject. We would suggest that the committee be named hereafter the "Committee on Seal and Escutcheon."

In regard to the seal or escutcheon of the Church your committee would favor, as it reported to the last General Synod, an escutcheon somewhat similar to the beautiful and significant escutcheon of the Reformed Church in America, each quarter of it containing a suggestive Reformed seal and the whole blended with the historic colors of the Church. We regret to say that owing to the war in Europe we have not been able to complete our work. But we are desirous of placing in our escutcheon, the seal of the Reformed Classis of Bentheim of Germany, suggested to us by the late Prof. J. H. Dubbs, of Lancaster. We had made several attempts to get it before the war broke out. The chairman had expected to visit Bentheim in the summer of 1914, but the sudden breaking out of the war prevented it. We have several other beautiful and significant seals of Reformed Churches as the lily among the thorns, the rock, the palm tree, etc. But we prefer waiting until we can get this seal of the Bentheim Classis so as to add it to the others. We, therefore, ask to be continued, so that as soon as the war is over, we may be able to obtain this seal. We will then place the seals chosen in the hands of a good firm that is an authority on heraldry, who will design a fine escutcheon. We then hope to report to the next General Synod an escutcheon that can be used for our Church.

JAMES I. GOOD,
AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT.

Item 11. The following report was offered and adopted:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The undersigned carried out the instruction of General Synod in regard to the organization of a new Synod.

The new Synod convened in the Salem Reformed Church of Louisville, Ky., and was organized, according to General Synod's instruction and the constitution of the Reformed Church, on the 8th day of October, 1914, in the Salem Reformed Church of Louisville, Ky. The name adopted is:

Synod of the Southwest of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. KRIETE.

Item 12. The Special Committee on Ursinus Memorial Tablet offered the following report which was adopted and the committee continued:

To the Reverend General Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee appointed three years ago to assist in securing a fund to place an Ursinus Memorial Tablet in the church in Neustadt, Germany, would report that, owing to the continuation of the European war, no opportunity has been afforded your committee for correspondence relative to the cost of or for the placing of this tablet.

We would further report that the Eastern Synod's committee entrusted with the same duty (of which committee several of your committee are members) has now in its hands the sum of \$316.96, which amount has been contributed by a comparatively small number of pastors or charges. Eastern Synod's committee, under instructions from said Synod, was continued and requested to hold the money now in its hands to await future developments.

It is possible that the sum of \$500.00, if not more, will be needed to place said Tablet, when the opportune time comes.

Any contributions sent to the chairman of your committee will be held for this purpose and, if satisfactory to the General Synod, added to the Eastern Synod's fund.

Respectfully submitted,

AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT.

Item 13. The Board of Ministerial Relief offered its triennial report, containing an Annuity Plan now in use in the Presbyterian Church. The report was referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief. For the report of the Board, see Article IX: 8. For consequent action see report of Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

Item 14. This item was taken from the table on Thursday afternoon, the report read, adopted and the committee continued. Howard E. Heckler was appointed a member of the committee in place of Dr. Eugene Santee, deceased. The report is as follows:

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the General Synod to consider the Memorial and Request of the Presbyterian Historical Society begs leave to make the following report:

The Presbyterian Historical Society is constituted of representatives from all the churches in this country which are included in the Alliance of the Reformed Churches. From the earliest period of its history the Reformed Church in the United States has been officially and actively identified with the Society and through the continued interest of its representatives a creditable collection of historical material relating to the history of our Church has been gathered. The present condition of the Society is the most prosperous in its long history. We cordially commend it to the support of the members of the Reformed Church and solicit such contributions for its collections as relates to the history of our Church. Persons desiring to coöperate in the furtherance of the commendable work of the Society are requested to address Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, Secretary of the Presbyterian Historical Society, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

JAMES CRAWFORD,
JAMES I. GOOD.

Item 15. The report was presented and adopted, the action of Pittsburgh Synod endorsed, and the committee continued. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: At the last meeting of the General Synod, in Lancaster, Pa., May, 1914, the committee on the Smithfield St. Church Case was empowered to act in behalf of General Synod as well as of Pittsburgh Synod.

For the information of General Synod we submit a copy of the report made to the Pittsburgh Synod at Meyersdale, Pa., October, 1916. The report was ordered to be placed on file in the archives of Pittsburgh Synod and only the resolution at the end was adopted and ordered to be printed with the minutes of the Synod:

"Resolved by the Pittsburgh Synod, in annual session at Meyersdale, Pa., October, 1916, that the committee on the Smithfield Church shall be continued, and that said committee is hereby directed again to ask the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, Pa., to appoint three trustees to hold and administer lots 455 and 456 on Smithfield St., Pa., and property thereon in accordance with the original grant of the Penn heirs on June 18, 1788, which created three trustees

who with their successors were to hold those lots forever exclusively for the use of the two religious societies known as the Church holding the unaltered Augsburg Confession and the Protestant Reformed Church, of which Rev. John Wm. Weber was the pastor, who was a regular minister of the Reformed Church.

Submitted by

CYRUS CORT, *Chairman*,
D. A. SOUDERS,
JOHN E. KUNKLE."

Your committee respectfully ask General Synod to endorse this action of Pittsburgh Synod, which is all that is necessary to publish at this time.

It is proper to state that Elder Texter was appointed by Pittsburgh Synod at Meyersdale as a member of the committee in place of the Rev. Dr. Prugh, deceased. A few weeks later the Allegheny Classis authorized our committee to act in its behalf according to Article 12 of our Reformed Church Constitution. The William Penn Hotel Company failed to gain their suit for damages before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania on grounds that do not affect the real merits of our case against the present occupants of lots 455 and 456, in our opinion and that of the William Penn Counsel as they have twice written to Chairman Cort. They have also furnished him with a printed copy of the trial containing 568 pages, in two volumes, which will be of great account and a saving of great expense in our further prosecution of the case. This has been done without any cost so far as our committee is concerned. The Hotel Company prefer to lose their option of \$20,000.00, rather than invest in lots 455 and 456 over which they felt our claim really invalidated the title. We have at least prevented the erection of mammoth hotel with the privilege of selling liquor on lots 455 and 456, deeded in part by the Penn heirs forever to our Reformed Church, exclusively for religious purposes, in 1788.

Respectfully submitted.

CYRUS CORT, *Chairman*, JOHN E. KUNKLE,
D. A. SOUDERS, H. F. TEXTER.

Items 16, 17, and 19 were referred to the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

Item 18. The report was presented through the "Blue Book" as follows, and later referred to the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

Report of the Delegates to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ

REV. FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The third quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America met in the Second Baptist Church of St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 6-11, 1916. It

was a notable gathering of three hundred delegates from thirty-four denominations, representing over 20,000,000 church membership.

Of the ten delegates elected by General Synod, to represent this body at the meeting of the Council, the following six were present: Rev. H. J. Christman, D. D., Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D., Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., and Rev. Philip Vollmer, Ph. D., D. D. The following brethren filled the vacancies of the delegates primarii, not present: Rev. S. B. Mase, D. D., Rev. Geo. W. Richards, D. D., Rev. Theodore F. Herman, D. D., Rev. Geo. W. Good, and Rev. W. E. Lampe, Ph. D.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

The Council was organized as follows: The Rev. Frank Mason North, one of the secretaries of the Foreign Mission Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was elected president. The Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, the Rev. Rivington D. Lord, and Mr. Alfred R. Kimball were re-elected general secretary and corresponding secretary and treasurer, respectively. Several of the delegates from our Church were represented on the program of the Council and on its committees. Rev. Dr. C. E. Schaeffer served as one of the clerks of the meetings. Several group meetings were held by the delegates of our Church, under the chairmanship of Dr. C. E. Schaeffer, for the purpose of transacting business pertaining to the relation of our delegation to the Council. Dr. Rufus W. Miller and Dr. C. E. Schaeffer were appointed to represent our Reformed Church on the executive committee.

BUSINESS TRANSACTED

The chief business of the Council consisted in the presentation and discussion of the reports of the various commissions that act in the interval between the meetings of the Council. These commissions cover a wide field of Christian life and activity, as will be recognized from their titles—the chief being on evangelism, on federated movements, on Christian education, on temperance, on church and social service, on international justice and goodwill, on relations with oriental countries, and on negro churches. It is calculated that the reports of the commissions and committees and of the proceedings of Council will extend to no less than seven volumes. As the delegates included many of the most distinguished leaders of American Protestantism, such a record will undoubtedly prove of the utmost value to the churches.

Space will permit scarcely more than a brief review of the reports of some of the commissions. The Commission on evangelism, of which Dr. C. E. Schaeffer is secretary and treasurer, proposed to inaugurate a nation-wide evangelistic campaign. It was recommended that evangelists be regulated by the various denominations, so that professional evangelists, appealing to churches for support, may be brought under some such control as are pastors of churches. It was urged that, at least, they have a more definite

official status than at present. Emphasis was placed upon the value of pastoral evangelism and upon simultaneous evangelistic campaigns under pastoral direction. Such an evangelistic campaign without the aid of professional evangelists has been astonishingly successful during the past four years in several large cities.

SOCIAL JUSTICE DEMANDED

The report of the Commission on the Church and Social Service, while dealing with social and industrial conditions, was concerned chiefly with social and industrial relations. It took its stand upon a platform of industrial democracy as the only platform upon which the principle of Christianity in labor and industry can be adequately expressed. The Church should clearly teach the principle of coöperative relations in industry to the fullest extent. This does not mean socialism, but it does mean the fullest and widest possible coöperative ownership and control of industry. The report deals with such welfare conditions as unemployment, housing, recreation, commercialized vice, prison reform, the status of women in industry, child labor, infant mortality, a living wage, cost of living, dangerous trades, the evil results of the manufacture and sale of liquor, the unusual and unnecessary strains of life and preventable diseases. All of these social programs are discussed from a deeply religious and spiritual viewpoint. The supreme social function of the Church is said to be to educate the community in the fundamentally spiritual realities which underlie these movements of social progress, to uphold the ideals by which they are conceived, to develop the atmosphere in which they are born, the individuals who will carry them to maturity, and the spiritual power which will make them effective.

TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITION

The report of the Commission on Temperance, Dr. Rufus W. Miller, chairman, was uncompromising. The Council went on record in favor of national prohibition. But the report was constructive. It pleaded strongly for temperance instruction. It asked, "Why do men go to the saloon?" and answered its own question in part. It advocated saloon substitutes, admitting that in many places the saloon fills a social need. It gave the lie to the claim that when national prohibition comes a million men will be thrown out of employment. It told how organized labor is gradually coming out openly against the liquor power. It commended those daily newspapers and magazines which decline to carry liquor advertising.

INTER-CHURCH FEDERATION

Possibly the most entirely epoch-making report was that of the Commission of Inter-church Federation, formerly called the Commission on Federated Movements. The local federations in scores of cities are now demonstrating how the work can be done. They are actually doing it. Especially is this true in fifteen of the larger

cities which employ executive secretaries. These federations, under the leadership of their secretaries, are carrying on evangelistic campaigns, as in Indianapolis; leading in reforms against commercialized vice, as in Louisville; against the saloon, as in Duluth. They are demanding reform in city governments; are aiding in putting city charities upon an efficient and Christian basis; are assisting the courts in handling the problems of youthful delinquency. These federations are adjusting the territory between churches so that new churches cannot be organized in a section of the city where other churches adequately cover the field.

ON PEACE AND ARBITRATION

The splendid reports of the Commission on Peace and Arbitration, now the "Commission on International Justice and Good Will," and of the Commission on Relations with Japan, now changed to the "Commission on Oriental Relations," will be published in three volumes. They sounded the Christian note from first to last. They were loyal in principle to the teachings of the Prince of Peace. They did not take a position against armed preparedness, but did put chief stress upon the preparation of the heart of Christian people in all lands. They favored the organization of a League of Nations and of International Courts of Arbitration and of Conciliation. But they contended that all these excellent human devices will go for naught if we do not learn the lesson of Christian internationalism and of justice and good will. The resolutions of these two commissions pleaded for generous war relief contributions by the churches of America; for the adequate protection of aliens; for the establishment of a commission by the Federal Council on Relations with Mexico and Latin America; for a Council of Neutral Nations to be convened as early as possible, whose purpose it shall be to ask the nations at war upon what basis they will make peace; for a League of Nations to Declare the Fundamental Rights and Duties of Nations to devise means for maintaining and enforcing peace; for an International Court of Arbitration, and for an International Board of Conciliation.

REPORT ON THE NEGRO POPULATION

The report on the negro churches provoked the most heated discussions, present conditions of restlessness among the negro laborers in seeking employment in the North provoking conflict and in many cases, instanced by one of the speakers, injustice and oppression. A representative delegate from the negro churches was heard on this subject.

POPULAR MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

One of the most important conferences held before the opening of the sessions of the Council, was the gathering of representatives of theological seminaries. Our Church was represented by Professors Geo. W. Richards, Theodore F. Herman, H. J. Christman and Philip Vollmer. Highly inspiring topics came under discus-

sion. The Council made an immense impression on the entire city, with its meetings in churches, factories, and theatres, its down-town noon addresses, and its rich daily program culminating with great speeches in the evenings. These popular meetings were largely attended and notable addresses were made by Mr. Raymond Robins, of Chicago, on "Coöperation, Efficiency and Social Redemption," by Prof. Edward A. Steiner on "Christian Brotherhood," and by the Hon. W. Jennings Bryan, who attended the Council for two days as a Presbyterian delegate, on "The Great Themes of the Gospel," on "World Peace," and on Temperance. The Rev. Charles Stelzle, one of the officials of the Council, well-known for his great zeal on the social service side of church work, also received a cordial reception.

AIM AND OBJECT OF THE COUNCIL

In the words of Dr. Mase, "The Federal Council has now been before the world for a space of a dozen years. It does not aim at the union of the denominations which adhere to it. Its object is rather to manifest their essential spiritual unity, and to secure their coöperation and comity in all manner of Christian service both at home and abroad. One of its important committees at St. Louis thus describes its purpose:

"The Federal Council endeavors to serve the cause of Christ and to represent the Council's constituent churches by appropriate utterances from time to time which voice the mind and spirit of the churches, and by undertaking activities dealing with the practical issues in which the churches are enlisted or deeply interested. It does not deal with matters of doctrine or of polity, but it does attempt to give united emphasis to the testimony of the churches, and solidarity and unity to their common activities."

SIGNALS OF APPROACHING DANGER

The Council and several of its commissions have come under severe individual and official criticism because of its strong stand on a number of political, international, economic and social questions which press for solution. Several of the constituent denominations, notably the Southern Presbyterian Church, seriously and officially objected to a number of deliverances and activities on these subjects, while the overwhelming majority no doubt considers the Council's work along these lines as the real reason of its existence. For the addition of another mere debating society to the many the Protestant churches are already supporting would be a too expensive luxury. It is gratifying that the Council was able to reach a conciliatory finding regarding the complaint of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, concerning action in civil affairs that it deemed to exceed the province of the Council. A committee on this matter recommended that the Council "again clearly affirm its adherence to that absolute separation of Church and State which is one of the cherished heritages of the great body

of American Protestantism." It also pointed out that no pronouncement of any commission or committee of the Council becomes in any way official until it has been adopted by the Council as a whole; and further, that even such adoption is not binding on any church unless that church itself elects to make it so. At the same time it counselled the greatest care in selecting the material and expression of reports or documents so that the Council be not compromised. New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Asheville, Chicago and San Francisco all competed for the honor of the next meeting of Council in 1920.

ACTION PROPOSED

On the basis of the preceding report your delegates beg to recommend the following action:

1. General Synod reiterates its former action placing a high value on the basic principles and the work of the Federal Council. It considers even the mere existence of such a comprehensive organization representing virtually the whole of American Protestantism as a great blessing to the progress of God's Kingdom on earth.

2. In view of the wide scope and the far-reaching consequences as well as because of our full membership in the Council, we hereby recommend to add to the list of standing committees one to review the minutes of the Federal Council and its commissions at the meetings of General Synod.

3. The Committee on Nominations is hereby directed to nominate candidates for ten delegates to the next quadrennial meeting of the Council, to be held in 1920, consisting in part of elders.

4. General Synod accepts, and directs its treasurer to pay, the amount apportioned to the Reformed Church for the maintenance of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP VOLLMER.

The following supplemental report was read and forthwith adopted. General Synod arose for prayer led by Dr. James I. Good and joined in singing "America."

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your undersigned delegates to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, attended the special meeting that was called by the Executive Committee of said Council at Washington, D. C., May 8th and 9th, for prayer and conference in behalf of the new problems that arise in the present national crisis.

The company of men representing the many denominations of the Federal Council, assembled on this occasion with great intensity of interest in the Church's problems in the presence of the World War, and with a solemn sense of responsibility on the

part of the Church of Christ in the great moral and spiritual issues that are involved. The momentous question that was paramount in all discussions and reports was the welfare of the Kingdom of God in the war crisis. Deliverances on this subject from a variety of angles, were made by many of the most distinguished ministers and statesmen in the Protestant Churches of America. They wrestled with the problem of Christian patriotism in the highest and deepest sense, by way of interpretation as well as in intercessions to God in behalf of the Christian Church.

The following conclusions are gathered from the reports of the various committees:

1. "*The Committee to Prepare a Suitable Message for the Hour,*" declared that the Council pledged, in behalf of the members of Protestant Christian Churches of America, both support and allegiance to the United States in unstinted measure, in the state of war which exists between this nation and Germany. A double responsibility rests upon us in that we are both citizens and Christians. We owe, therefore, loyalty to the cause of freedom and democracy, while at the same time we must be true to our faith in our Divine Lord.

The aims for which we may lay down our all, even life itself, are: Christian principles of righteousness as between nation and nation; the right of all peoples, great and small, to live their life in freedom and peace; and resistance of all forces that would prevent the union of the nations in a commonwealth of free peoples in the pursuit of ideal ends. These are the ideals which this nation is regarded as fighting to uphold in the present war.

In the progress of the war, therefore, it is the mission of the Church to bring all that is done or planned in the nation's name, to the test of the mind of Christ. In this spirit the members of the Church of Christ are called to dedicate themselves and all that they have to the nation's cause. "With this hope we would join hands with all men of good-will of every land and race, to rebuild on this war-ridden and desolate earth the commonwealth of mankind and make of the kingdoms of the world the Kingdom of the Christ."

2. "*The Committee to Plan for the Moral and Religious Welfare of the Army and Navy,*" pledged the Federal Council's assistance to the War Department of our country in all forms of helpfulness, to the end that the moral and spiritual life of the men of the Army and Navy may be nurtured and upheld. The churches are urged to maintain a cordial coöperation with the Young Men's Christian Association in the unique service it is adapted to render to the soldiers in the camps and at the front. The churches are asked to extend liberal support to the American Bible Society that this great organization may be able to supply the word of God to the soldiers at the least possible cost. The churches are urged to provide good literature for the Army and Navy through the most effective agency that prevails in their respective communities,

All the Protestant chaplains that will be chosen for both the Army and Navy by the Secretary of War will be appointed on merit, without regard to denominations. To this end the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America has arranged with the Secretary of War to recommend such ministers as in its judgment are adapted to the position of chaplain.

3. "*The Committee to Plan and Provide Works of Mercy*," gave the following advice to the churches for their effective coöperation in behalf of relief of the wounded and starving.

(1) The Red Cross Society is commended to the churches as the greatest medium for practical helpfulness on the part of members.

(2) Ministrations by pastors to the dependent families whose heads have fallen in the war.

(3) Members should be urged to set aside an average of one dollar per month for the relief of millions of women and children in war-ridden countries abroad.

(4) American churches should help to support and restore the Protestant Churches in Europe that have been disrupted and especially those in Belgium, Northern France and Italy.

(5) The churches should unite with the President to urge members to do their respective parts to increase the food supply.

4. "*The Committee to Formulate Christian Duties Relative to Conserving the Economical, Social, Moral and Spiritual Forces of the Nation*," stressed the following recommendations:

(1) If the physical resources of the nation in its young men are to be selected for service at the front, the financial resources of the nation in the hands of the wealthy should bear the chief part of the expense of the war.

(2) Our industrial standards relative to living wages, hours of labor, the labor of women and children especially, which have been won at great cost, must be carefully safeguarded.

(3) The social vice to which the soldiers are subjected in war is a most serious problem that should lay heavily upon the heart of every pastor who has young men at the front and in the camps. The local churches should keep in close touch with their enlisted men by friendly letters and remembrances.

(4) Farmers should be reminded through the churches that the success of this war on behalf of our beloved country rests in large measure upon the best use of the soil for the production of the most stable foods.

In view of the foregoing your delegates would, therefore, request General Synod to urge the congregations to carefully consider the proposals and advice of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, on the subject of Christian responsibility, as set forth herein, and to adopt and prosecute such measures as may be practicable in their respective communities and circumstances.

This recommendation is offered with the undoubted confidence in the loyal patriotism of our members in behalf of our beloved nation and the full sense of Christian responsibility which becomes the disciples of our Divine Lord, for upholding the principles of righteousness as they prevail in His Kingdom and are taught in His life and Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. M. G. DARMS,	CYRUS CORT,
RUFUS W. MILLER,	C. E. SHAEFFER,
PHILIP VOLLNER,	S. B. MASE.

Item 20 with its sub-items and *Item 24* referred to the Standing Committee on Home Missions.

Item 21, with its sub-items, was referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

Item 22 was referred to the Standing Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools.

Item 23 was referred to the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions.

Item 25 with the reports of fraternal delegates was referred to the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

Item 26, including the Report of the Board, was referred to the Standing Committee on Orphans' Homes.

Item 27 was presented through the "Blue Book" and referred to the Standing Committee on Young People's Societies. The report of the Permanent Committee is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The history of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies dates from the General Synod of Canton, 1911. The first report was presented to the General Synod of Lancaster, 1914. The three main objectives of the work as determined by the latter Synod (p. 397ff.) were, first, the establishment of a Permanent Department of Young People's work and if deemed practical, the appointment of a secretary; second, the establishment of Young People's Day; third, the gathering of the statistics of the various Young People's organizations.

In attempting to do the work of the committee it was found necessary to hold three meetings, at the first of which organization was effected in making Dr. Edward S. Bromer, chairman, and Rev. Clayton H. Ranck, secretary. The expenses of these meetings were duly paid by the treasurer of General Synod and embodied in his report.

From the beginning your committee found the whole problem of the work of the Young People's Societies complicated with the modern development of the organized classes of the Intermediate and Senior Departments of the Sunday-schools extended beyond the educational purposes of the Sunday-school, the work of Mission Bands and the Young Women's Auxiliaries of the W. M. S., the Mission Study Department of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and the Brotherhoods of Andrew and Philip. Among the distinctive Young People's organizations we found the large majority were Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor and the rest Heidelberg Leagues. It is in terms of these that the idea and ideal of Young People's Societies are conceived.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PERMANENT YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT: Agreeable to the instructions of General Synod we faithfully attempted to establish such a department. A meeting was held on June 19, 1914, in consultation with the general secretaries of the Home Mission, Foreign Mission and Publication and Sunday-school Boards with the view of carrying out the first and second recommendations of the General Synod of Lancaster: viz., "That the Young People's Department be established" and that "for the present the secretaryship of the Mission Study Department of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards and the secretary of the Young People's Department be united and the time of the secretary and the expense incurred be equally divided." No agreement could be reached, largely because of the fear of losing the identity of the Mission Study work and the loss of control of the same by the Home and Foreign Mission Boards. At a subsequent meeting specific assurances were given that the identity, integrity and control of the Mission Study work should in no way be infringed upon and request was made that the plan be reported to the respective Boards. According to the recorded actions of the Foreign Mission Board the plan was declared impractical. The Home Mission Board at first favorable, likewise reported that in view of the action of the Foreign Board that nothing could be done on this joint arrangement until the next meeting of General Synod. The Publication and Sunday-school Board in the nature of the case had previously acted in accordance with the recommendation of the General Synod.

After it became clear that nothing could be done on such a joint arrangement, the committee proceeded to organize its work on the basis of the recommendation of the General Synod of Canton (p. 371), which says that "if deemed necessary the Board be authorized to employ a secretary to give his time to the development of the Young People's work of the Church;" and the first recommendation in the report on Young People's Societies at the Synod of Lancaster (p. 398); viz., "That the Young People's Department be established under the care of the Publication and Sunday-school Board and the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies, employing a secretary as suggested by the General Synod of 1911."

It was accordingly decided to establish the department under the care of the Publication and Sunday-school Board and the Permanent Committee of General Synod and secure, if possible, the services of Mr. A. J. Shartle as secretary giving half his time to the Young People's Societies and half to the interest of the Publication and Sunday-school Board. Mr. Shartle is a member of St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., and at present business manager of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Boston, Mass. It being found impossible to secure his services, Dr. Rufus W. Miller, the secretary of the Publication and Sunday-school Board was authorized to secure, if possible, the services of Mr. Clarence C. Hamilton, a member of the First Reformed Church, Hamilton, Ohio, formerly a state secretary of the Ohio Christian Endeavor Union, and at present a field secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor. No satisfactory arrangements could be made with Mr. Hamilton. On account of the further complications created by the heavy demands made by the Sunday-school Increase Campaign, it was deemed best for the present to cease making efforts along these lines. Consequently, the condition of the work of the Young People's Societies of our Church as far as the organization of a department is concerned is exactly what it was at the last meeting of General Synod.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAY—During the summer and early fall of 1915 your committee in conjunction with the Publication and Sunday-school Board made plans to establish a Young People's Day as a fixed day in the calendar of church events. The third Sunday of October was selected. A special service, prepared by the Publication and Sunday-school Board, and a letter of announcement and appeal prepared by the committee, were sent out to all the societies. The result was very unsatisfactory. During the fall of 1916 the scourge of infantile paralysis demanded state quarantine in several states and made the observance of Young People's Day impracticable. We believe that effort to establish such a special day should be continued.

THE STATISTICS—The secretary of the committee was instructed to gather the statistics for 1914, 1915 and 1916. Pursuant to the action of the General Synod of Lancaster all the stated clerks of the Classes were notified to forward the summaries of the statistical blanks of the Young People's Societies at once after the meeting of Classis to the secretary of the committee. The response was not very satisfactory. We regret the necessity of presenting such an incomplete report. For convenience of reference we also give the figures of 1912 and 1913 which were reported in the last triennium:

TRIENNium 1911-1914

Classes	Members		Contributions			
	Active	Associate	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Other Benevolence	Congl. Purposes
1912..46	29,287	3973	\$2376	\$3520	\$4660	\$27,979
1913..50			2416	3629	5014	28,801
			<hr/> \$4892	<hr/> \$7149	<hr/> \$9674	<hr/> \$56,780

TRIENNium 1914-1917

	Classes	Members		Contributions			
		Active	Associate	Home Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Other Benevolence	Congl. Purposes
1914..	.42	30,228	3826	\$2977	\$3061	\$ 4,847	\$24,379
1915..	.44	31,363	4806	2027	2802	4,475	23,765
1916..	.43	34,053	4286	1950	2596	7,130	30,631
				<u>\$6954</u>	<u>\$8459</u>	<u>\$16,452</u>	<u>\$78,775</u>

The proportion of Senior, Intermediate and Junior Societies of Christian Endeavor, Heidelberg Leagues and Brotherhoods of Andrew and Philip remain about the same as reported to the Synod of Lancaster. It is apparent, judging from the reports received from the Classes, that greater care should be taken in gathering and reporting the statistics. The figures above given do not truly represent either the size or importance of the work of the Young People's organizations. Until a department can be properly organized and greater attention paid to details, we cannot expect accurate and satisfactory statistics.

It is evident that a work of such size and importance cannot be done properly by a committee. Its larger possibilities can only be developed through the erection of an independent Young People's Department and the employment of a secretary, who will give all his time to the difficult and laborious task. The first great difficulty lies in the adequate financial support of such a department and secretary.

That our young people are neglected and that there is need of the department is apparent. It is just as apparent that the activities of the young people, expressed in Mission Study, in the work of organized Sunday-school classes extended beyond Bible Study, the work of Mission Bands and W. M. S. organizations must be freely recognized and coördinated if such a department is to exist.

We believe that the present situation warrants this extended statement. We present it with the hope that something definite may be done in the coming triennium. We refrain, however, from making specific recommendations but our experience suggests the possibility of two clearly defined courses of procedure which we state in the following propositions.

I. AN INDEPENDENT DEPARTMENT

1. That the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies of General Synod be continued.
2. That a Young People's Department be established with its own secretary and office.
3. That it be independent from entangling arrangements with the Publication and Sunday-school, Home Mission and Foreign

Mission Boards, but in harmony with them seek to develop the various activities of the Young People's Societies of the Church.

4. That the third Sunday in October be established as Young People's Day in the church calendar and devoted to the development of the department.

5. That the Standing Committees on Young People's Societies of the Classes each year carefully summarize the statistics according to the blank issued by General Synod and that the stated clerks of the Classes be instructed to forward them to the chairman of the General Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies, until the secretary of the department be appointed.

II. AS A SUBORDINATE DEPARTMENT OF THE PUBLICATION AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD

1. That General Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies be discontinued and the statistics and work of the Young People's Societies be hereafter considered by the Standing Committee on Publications and Sunday-schools.

2. That the Publication and Sunday-school Board be instructed to create a separate Young People's Societies Department or Departmental Committee distinct from the departments of Publication and Sunday-schools, whose duty it shall be to develop the Young People's Societies of the Reformed Church, such as the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, Heidelberg Leagues, and similar societies.

3. That the said Young People's Societies Departmental Committee shall not interfere with the educational work of the Sunday Schools, nor the Mission Study work of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, nor with the specialized work of Mission Bands and Young Women's Auxiliaries of the W. M. S., but seek in every way to work in harmony with them.

4. That the third Sunday of October be established as Young People's Day and devoted to the development of the department.

5. That the Standing Committee on Young People's Societies of the Classes each year carefully summarize the statistics of the Young People's Societies according to the blanks issued by General Synod and that the stated clerks of the Classes be instructed to forward them to the chairman of the Departmental Committee of Young People's work promptly after the annual Classical meetings.

Deeply realizing the growing importance of the work of the Young People's Societies we respectfully submit this report for your consideration and action.

EDWARD S. BROMER, *Chairman*,
CLAYTON H. RANCK, *Sec.*, E. A. SHULENBERGER,
ROBERT M. KERN, A. J. SCHARTLE.

Approved and signed by all members of the Committee. For final action see Report of Standing Committee on Young People's Societies.

Item 28. The Committee reported as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The General Synod, meeting at Lancaster, Pa., in May, 1914, created the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee. The action of the General Synod is recorded in the Minutes, pages 402 to 406, the most important items being given on pages 404 and 405.

Along with other duties, the General Synod charged the committee with three specific functions: (1) To carry on the work of the Every-Member Canvass during the triennium. (2) To be a Bureau of Consultation on financial matters or a Financial Bureau of the Reformed Church, whose counsel and services shall be open without charge for the various Boards and pastors and congregations and consistories. (3) To prepare an order of business for the next General Synod.

The committee has held sixteen meetings during the triennium.

The members of the committee were chosen in accordance with the instructions of the General Synod, and the first meeting was called at Lancaster, Pa., July 30, 1914, by Dr. John S. Stahr, president of the General Synod. The members of the committee have been: Elder William W. Anspach, Rev. Henry H. Apple, D. D., LL. D., Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D., Rev. William E. Lampe, Ph. D., Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., Rev. C. E. Miller, D. D., LL. D., Rev. C. J. Musser, D. D., Geo. Leslie Omwake, Pd. D., Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D., Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D., and Rev. John S. Stahr, D. D., LL. D. Dr. Stahr was called to his reward on December 21, 1915. Rev. William C. Schaeffer, Ph. D., D. D., then became a member of the committee.

The committee organized by electing Elder William W. Anspach, chairman, Dr. C. E. Miller, vice-chairman, Dr. William E. Lampe, secretary, and Mr. Milton Warner, treasurer. The committee felt the necessity of appointing a secretary to give his whole time to the work and office of the committee, but in June, 1915, decided that it was not advisable to appoint such an official for the present triennium. Dr. Lampe has served the committee by giving a part of his time to its work.

Much of the work of the committee has been done through sub-committees. These committees on Organization, Education, Field Work, and Publicity, and the later committees on Information and Deputation, have included a number of active pastors, elders, and women, in addition to the twelve members of the committee. All of the members of these sub-committees were made coöperating members of the committee and many of them have met with the committee at its meetings. The names of these co-operating members are: Mrs. L. L. Anewalt, Dr. J. H. Apple, Miss Helen Bareis, Rev. J. H. Bomberger, D. D., Rev. E. S. Bromer, D. D., Rev. F. H. Diehm, Mrs. E. F. Evemeyer, Rev. Josias

Friedli, Rev. Carl H. Gramm, Principal E. M. Hartman, Mrs. W. R. Harris, Rev. C. A. Hauser, Rev. R. M. Kern, Rev. B. E. Lienkaemper, Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Mr. John H. Poorman, Rev. J. O. Reagle, D. D., Rev. J. Rauch Stein, and Mr. Milton Warner.

The committee has endeavored to keep in close touch with the Church through communications to pastors and congregations, Classes and Synods, and by personal presentation of the work through its members at the meetings of the Classes and Synods, and in the theological seminaries of the Church. It has also kept the work before the Church through articles in the Church papers, many of which were written by pastors actively engaged in the work, but not identified with the committee as members.

A large amount of literature was prepared and furnished free of charge to congregations, only a small proportion of the congregations paying for what was sent them. The names of the principal pamphlets, leaflets and cards that were distributed, and the number of copies of each were as follows: "Where Our Missionary and Benevolent Moneys Go," 30,000 copies; "The Budget System Explained," 7500 copies; "The Remedy," 9500 copies; "Paul's Financial Plan," 30,000 copies; "How Much Owest Thou?" 15,000 copies; "A Nickel for the Lord," 30,000 copies; "Principles and Methods of Christian Stewardship," 13,000 copies; "Canvass and Canvassers," 9000 copies; "The Canvassers Are Coming," 30,000 copies; "Canvassing Cards, 20,000 copies; "The Congregational Missionary and Stewardship Committee," 5000 copies; Other Literature, 31,000 copies; total, 230,000 copies.

The committee recognized that its chief duty during the triennium was to put the Every-Member Canvass into operation in as many as possible of our congregations, and to encourage and assist the congregations to make the canvass in a thorough manner. The first thing done was to ask each Classis to appoint a Missionary and Stewardship Committee, consisting of at least three members. Much time was consumed in securing the appointment of these committees, and some of them were inactive for the first year. We are glad to report that there are now Missionary and Stewardship Committees in forty-seven of the Classes, and the majority of them are actively prosecuting their work.

The importance of the Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committees can hardly be overestimated. They stand in close relation to the congregations of the Classes, and they can render aid that it is not possible for the Committee of the General Synod to render. In order to assist these Classical committees the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee held five conferences with their chairmen, and invited to the conferences the other members of the Classical committees. These meetings established a relationship which has proven most helpful and they magnified the work of the Classical committees by causing the chairmen at least to recognize their responsibilities and the possibilities of the important work entrusted to them.

In September, 1915, seven Classical committees were selected to do intensive work in their Classes during the year, with a view to making their Classes successful object lessons for the other Classes of the Church. Three or four of the Classes worked successfully and these will soon stand out among the Classes in the same way as do congregations which have successfully made the Every-Member Canvass and are an encouragement and inspiration to other congregations.

The Classical Missionary and Stewardship Committee is the most important committee a Classis has at work during the year. It is not only an agency to help all the congregations of the Classis to make the Every-Member Canvass successfully and to secure at least the full amount of the apportionment for missions and benevolence, but it can also help to increase denominational loyalty and raise the standard of the Classis. We trust that through the General Synod, the District Synods and the Classes will give continued and increasing support to the Classical committees in their work.

The committee has also endeavored to secure the appointment of an active Missionary and Stewardship Committee in every congregation. A valuable pamphlet for the members of such a committee has been prepared and is available to help them in their work. The names of several thousand members of Congregational Missionary Committees are on file and it is planned to assist them in many ways.

The Every-Member Canvass has been adopted by the whole Church as the best financial system for the congregation. It is only a matter of time until all of our congregations will use the system. There are very many congregations which have made the canvass, but have not reported to the committee. We have actual records from 617 congregations that have made at least one Every-Member Canvass. In many instances this is the record for the charge and may include several congregations, but it is counted only once. The following is the record of these congregations by Synods and Classes:

<i>Eastern—</i>		<i>Ohio—</i>	
E. Pennsylvania.....	31	Miami.....	30
Lebanon.....	12	Lancaster.....	13
Philadelphia.....	25	Tuscarawas.....	25
Lancaster.....	26	Tiffin.....	22
E. Susquehanna.....	13	E. Ohio.....	15
W. Susquehanna.....	12	St. Joseph.....	11
Tohickon.....	20		— 116.
Goshenhoppen.....	11	<i>Northwest—</i>	
Lehigh.....	19	Sheboygan.....	1
Schuylkill.....	12	Milwaukee.....	5
Wyoming.....	24	Minnesota.....	1
Reading.....	15	Nebraska	
	— 220	Ursinus	
		S. Dakota	

Portland, Ore.		German Philadelphia...	5	
Manitoba.....	1	German Maryland.....	2	
Eureka			—	17
N. Dakota		<i>Central—</i>		
	— 8	Erie.....	5	
<i>Pittsburgh—</i>		Heidelberg.....	6	
Westmoreland.....	17	St. John's.....	6	
Clarion.....	6	Cincinnati.....	1	
St. Paul.....	6	Toledo.....	8	26
Somerset.....	6		—	
Allegheny.....	20	<i>Interior—</i>		
Hungarian		Illinois.....	6	
	— 55	Iowa.....	10	
<i>Potomac—</i>		Kansas.....	7	
Zion.....	15	Wichita.....	4	
Maryland.....	39	Lincoln.....	5	32
Mercersburg.....	10		—	
Virginia.....	8	<i>Southwest—</i>		
N. Carolina.....	30	Zion.....	1	
Gettysburg.....	5	Indiana.....	5	
Carlisle.....	5	Missouri.....	1	
Juniata.....	21	Chicago		
	— 133	Kentucky.....	3	
<i>German of the East—</i>			—	10
New York.....	3			
West New York.....	7	Grand total.....		617

It is no longer necessary in the Reformed Church to defend the Every-Member Canvass. It has proved its worth. The evidence is all on its side. Statements from congregations setting forth the benefits of the canvass and how well it works can be furnished in abundance. The splendid financial results, however, are by no means the best results of the Every-Member Canvass. Scores of letters received show that the best results are spiritual. Congregations have been revived, effective workers have been discovered and the joys of Christian service have been richly experienced by the canvassers and by those whom they have canvassed.

Points to emphasize. While accumulating experience confirms the conviction that the Every-Member Canvass is the most effective way of providing the financial support alike of the local church and of the missionary and benevolent work of the Church at large, the committee recognizes the necessity of safeguarding and strengthening it at certain important points, if its largest possibilities are to be realized:

- (1) The canvass should be made annually.
- (2) During the year the work of the Boards should be presented systematically and definitely to the congregations.
- (3) Opportunity should be given periodically for special thank offerings, supplemental to the weekly envelope contributions.

(4) Individuals should be encouraged to designate how their gifts to benevolence are to be distributed; and consistories should determine ratio for undesignated contributions for benevolences.

(5) Proportionate as well as systematic giving should be cultivated.

One instruction of the General Synod was that "During the triennium this committee is to study the financial problems of the Church, inspire to larger giving, secure a complete budget of the expenses of the various Church Boards and interests and submit the same with their recommendation to the next General Synod."

The budget of the Reformed Church is a plan for financing all the missionary and benevolent work of the Church each year for a period of three years, which budget, having as its basis reports and estimates secured from all the Boards, is prepared and submitted by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee to the General Synod for its approval and authorization. The plan for securing the amount of the entire budget is through every member giving every week according to his ability, and through supplementary offerings at certain seasons, and through large special gifts from those able to make them.

At every meeting of the committee the financial problems of the Church were discussed, and the committee conferred with the several Boards and secured complete budgets of the expenses of each. A sub-committee of five, which met on February 1, 1917, and spent the entire day considering these several budgets, was in possession of statements from the Boards of Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Publication and Sunday Schools, and Ministerial Relief, and from the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows and the Society for the Support of Indigent Ministers, giving their present expenditures and the amount needed each year during the next triennium. All of these statements were itemized and gave all of the necessary information.

These budgets showed the necessity of at least \$250,000 per year for Home Missions, \$250,000 per year for Foreign Missions, \$30,000 for Ministerial Relief, and \$15,000 for Publication and Sunday School Work. These statements are included in the reports of the several Boards.

On February 2, 1917, at a meeting of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, at which all twelve members were present, it was voted unanimously to *recommend* to the General Synod that it approve of these budgets as follows: That the amount for Home Missions be 80c per communicant member; Foreign Missions, 80c per communicant member; Ministerial Relief, 10c per communicant member, and Publication and Sunday School Work, 5c per communicant member.

During the past triennium the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee has made a careful study of the Apportionment System and the Budget System, and *recommends* the following:

After the General Synod has adopted the budgets of the four Boards it requests and urges every Synod, Classis and congregation, to accept and to pay these amounts per communicant member, 80c for Home Missions, 80c for Foreign Missions, 10c for Ministerial Relief, and 5c for Publication and Sunday School Work; and further to regard these as minimum amounts, every congregation endeavoring to reach the standard "As much for Others as for Ourselves."

The committee gave its endorsement to the Prince of Peace Fund, the Men's Missionary Congress held at Allentown, Pa., in 1915, the movement among the congregations in behalf of Christian Education by the Association of Schools, Colleges and Seminaries in commemoration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation, the Sunday School Increase Campaign commemorating, in the Sunday Schools, the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation. It also considered the problem of Ministerial Relief, and submitted to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief its report on that work.

The committee calls the attention of the General Synod to the fact that there seem to be duplication and unnecessary items of expense in the contingent expenses of the General Synod, and suggests the appointment of a committee of the General Synod to consider this matter.

From many facts and data on hand and available, it is evident that there is no uniformity in the movement of missionary and benevolent moneys in our Church. In some instances these moneys pass from the congregational treasurer directly to the Board or institution for which they were intended; in others they pass through the Classical treasurer; and in at least one instance through the Synodical treasurer. In some cases the moneys are handled in the congregation by one treasurer; in others there is a separate treasury for benevolent moneys. Consequently the reports of the Classical treasurers and the reports of the congregational treasurers never coincide. Generally the congregational reports indicate larger amounts than the reports of the Classical treasurers from the same congregations, so that it is practically impossible to get at the exact facts, even in the Minutes of the Classes. There is still a greater difference when these respective congregational and Classical reports are compared with the reports of the treasurers of the respective Boards and institutions. It is clearly impossible for these agencies of the Church to obtain anything like a correct record of benevolent moneys coming from our congregations. In the interest of the congregations themselves, a study of the real situation appears to be necessary.

One difficulty arises from a difference of opinion as to what is to be included and what is not to be included under the term "benevolence." In practically every instance the Classical and Synodical contingent expenses are made a part of the benevolent budget, and the same are paid in part at least out of moneys re-

ceived for missionary and benevolent purposes. This fact causes considerable confusion and does damage to the financing of our benevolent work.

The second difficulty arises from the "pooling" of all benevolent moneys received by Classical treasurers, regardless of how they are specified on the part of the congregations. Many congregations in remitting their benevolent money do not specify, and the Classical treasurer takes the liberty to distribute the money as in his judgment is proper. The rule generally followed is that the Classical treasurer first pays the contingent fund for the Classis and the Synod, and then whatever is left he distributes pro rata for Home and Foreign Missions and other benevolence. The mischief arises in this—that since the contingent fund of the Classis must be paid and many congregations or charges fail to pay even this amount in full, the deficiency has to be met out of the funds which the other congregations contribute for Home and Foreign Missions, and thus the Boards and institutions of the Church do not receive the full amount which these congregations contributed for these purposes. In this way congregations discover that the apportionment which they believed they had paid in full was actually not paid and they do not receive the credit with the Boards and institutions which they had anticipated. The "pool" in the hands of the Classical treasurer is a mistake.

A third difficulty arises from the fact that a number of Classical treasurers in remitting moneys to the Boards do not specify the congregations contributing. This is the case in the Ohio Synod, and also in several of the Classes of the Eastern and the Potomac Synods. In the Pittsburgh Synod the Classical treasurers not only do not specify the congregations from which moneys come, but actually send the same first to the Synodical treasurer, who makes lump remittances to the Boards. This makes it impossible for the Boards to keep accounts with congregations, and makes it impracticable to develop congregations in the way of benevolence. From the necessarily imperfect accounts in the possession of the Boards, it appears that certain congregations have not contributed anything for years for either Home or Foreign Missions, although their own statistical reports to the Classes show quite the contrary.

In a number of instances Classical treasurers run the accounts of the Classes through their own personal bank accounts, and usually remit sums of even figures to the Boards. Frequently there is a prolonged delay before transmission is made. In one instance the Board of Foreign Missions received a Foreign Mission Day offering one year after the same was raised. In like manner consistories misapply benevolent moneys by using them to defray current expenses, such as pastor's salary, coal, light, janitor, even for decorations at Christmas, and buying of candy for children.

Your committee has actually been astounded that such conditions should be allowed to obtain in our Church in the handling

and transmission of our benevolent moneys. The time has come when some radical steps looking towards a more adequate and workable system should be taken. We offer the following as a possible remedy:

1. We *recommend* that the General Synod, through the Synods and Classes, advise that every congregation should take the utmost diligence in keeping its accounts, and so far as its benevolent moneys are concerned that they be handled by a separate treasurer, or kept in separate accounts; that the pastor concern himself more vitally with this matter and secure definite action from his consistory in granting orders for the payment of benevolent moneys at stated meetings, and see to it that the action is promptly carried out by the proper officer or officers.

2. We *recommend* that the General Synod consider anew the method of direct transmission of missionary and benevolent moneys. This is the safest and most satisfactory method. It makes for efficiency and economy. It prevents the evils of "pooling," "preferred creditors," "personal check accounts," etc.

3. We *recommend* that a thorough going process of education in the method of handling church finance be instituted. This should start in our theological seminaries with the students who are preparing themselves for the work of the ministry. A clear, clean-cut, definite, workable method should be adopted, and the same be inoculated and inculcated in the minds of all of our pastors and consistories. The same should be agitated on the floor of Classis and Synod, until the system becomes so ingrained in our very life that it becomes an automatic process and a matter of universal observance.

The committee has given careful study to the matter of our statistical tables and *recommends* that Table No. 2 be not printed in the Minutes of General Synod, that in Table No. 1 there be restored the items of benevolences: "Home Missions," "Foreign Missions," "Education," and "Other Benevolences"; and that the definition of Education, "all gifts to the theological seminaries, colleges and academies in our Church, as well as all contributions for beneficiary education" be restored; and that Table No. 2 be amended in accordance with the table herewith submitted.

As part of its work, the committee has endeavored to inspire the Church to larger giving by the promotion of sound principles and methods of Stewardship. Several of the best pieces of printed matter of the committee have been on the subject of Stewardship and they have been well received by the Church. The principles and methods of Stewardship adopted by the committee are as follows:

Principles: 1. God is the giver and is the absolute owner of all things. 2. Under grace man is a steward, and the steward holds and administers that which he has as a sacred trust. 3. God's ownership and man's stewardship are best evidenced by the systematic application of a portion of income to the advancement of the Kingdom. 4. Biblical and extra-Biblical history point to the setting aside of the tenth of the income as a minimum, and indicate a divine sanction of the practice and the amount. 5. There should be careful, intelligent, personal and prayerful consideration of the uses made of the money thus regularly set aside. This will require study not only of the local situation, but also of the missionary and benevolent work of the Church. 6. Consistent use of the balance of the income not set aside.

Methods: 1. Actual or constructive separation of the proportion of income which complies with the foregoing principles. 2. A pledge in writing, in advance, of the amounts to be applied to the regular work of the Church (current expenses, missions, and other benevolences). 3. A weekly payment of the amount so subscribed, deposited as an act of worship at a public service. 4. Payments from time to time, out of the sums set aside, but not previously pledged, to special causes as may be desired. 5. The plan of keeping a separate "Lord's Treasury" is recommended for those who cannot attend the services of the church. 6. Free-will or thank-offerings.

There is great encouragement in the fact that congregations are endeavoring to reach the Standard of Stewardship "As Much for Others as for Ourselves." In 1914 the committee was able to discover only six such congregations in the entire Reformed Church. In 1915 there were twenty-two congregations, and in 1916, twenty-eight congregations which reached this standard. The list has been printed each year in the Church papers.

The instructions of the General Synod that the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee should consider the subject of standing orders and rules for the docket or order of business, and in connection with the Stated Clerk prepare the docket or order of business for this meeting of the General Synod, have been carried out and this portion of the report of the committee is submitted as the "Preliminary Report," which is printed on page 6 of the Blue Book.

The General Synod referred to the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee the consideration of "the question of setting forth a standard minimum salary to be paid to the ministers of the

Reformed Church in the United States," with instructions to report at the sessions in 1917.

The Committee is glad to report that during the last three years the salaries of a large number of our pastors have been increased by the congregations. This has been made possible in large part through the introduction of better financial methods. The increases, however, have not usually been those of pastors receiving the "minimum" salaries and these are the pastors who most need help.

An investigation within the bounds of Potomac Synod several years ago revealed the fact that the average salary of the ministers in that Synod was \$909. It is likely that this figure is higher than in some parts of the Reformed Church. The great majority of the congregations paid considerably less than the average salary of \$909. The same investigation found that the contributing ability of both city and rural congregations justifies a considerable increase in the salaries paid to pastors. Potomac Synod has taken steps to provide a minimum salary of \$800.

An action of Pittsburgh Synod looks to the establishment of a minimum salary of \$900. Ohio Synod has taken action looking to the establishment of a minimum salary of \$1000.

The committee *recommends* that the General Synod, through the Synods and Classes, recommend to congregations the payment of not less than the following salaries: In rural districts, \$800 and parsonage; in towns of between 2500 and 8000 inhabitants, \$900 and parsonage; and in cities, \$1000 and parsonage.

The receipts and expenditures of the committee from July 30, 1914, to April 27, 1917, have been:

Receipts—

Board of Foreign Missions, \$2397.24.
 Board of Home Missions, \$2397.24.
 Board of Ministerial Relief, \$102.76.
 Publication and Sunday School Board, \$102.76.
 Sundry receipts, \$20.77.
 Total, \$5020.77.

Expenditures—

Committee expenses, \$1018.06.
 Printing and Multigraphing, \$1045.40.
 Postage, \$340.25.
 Stenographer and Clerical Help, \$1122.70.
 Office Equipment and Supplies, \$114.52.
 Secretary's Salary, \$1333.34.
 Balance, \$46.50.
 Total, \$5020.77.

MILTON WARNER, *Treasurer.*

The committee *recommends* the continuation of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, with the addition of six

members, three ministers and three elders, to be elected by the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

THE UNITED MISSIONARY AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE,

WILLIAM W. ANSPACH, <i>Chairman</i> ,	CHARLES E. MILLER,
WILLIAM E. LAMPE, <i>Secretary</i> ,	C. J. MUSSER,
HENRY H. APPLE,	GEO. LESLIE OMWAKE,
ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW,	LEWIS ROBB,
J. M. G. DARMS,	CHAS. E. SCHAEFFER,
J. W. MEMINGER,	WM. C. SCHAEFFER.

The foregoing report was referred to a Special Missionary and Stewardship Committee which reported on Monday as follows:

To the Members of General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Special Missionary and Stewardship Committee to whom were referred, the report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, as contained in the Blue Book; a resolution requesting your committee to define the scope and function of General Synod's United Missionary and Stewardship Committee; items from the report from the General Synod's Standing Committee on minutes of ? and items 8 a and b, and 11 a, b, c, d, e, from the report of General Synod's Committee on Overtures wishes to report for your consideration and disposition the following items:

Item 1. The General Synod heartily commends its Missionary and Stewardship Committee for the very definite service it has rendered the Church during the last triennium,—in the preparation and distribution throughout the Church of thousands of copies of valuable literature; in so persistently pressing to the attention of the Church the claims of Christian stewardship and the best methods of church finance; in securing the appointment of and in rendering assistance to many classical and hundreds of congregational missionary and stewardship committees; and in bringing to pass successful every member canvasses and accordingly larger gifts of money and service in so many of our congregations. It also commends the committee for the publicity that has characterized its work and for its efforts toward greater efficiency in so many phases of our denominational life and especially in preparing the Blue Book and the program for this meeting of General Synod.

Item 2. The General Synod defines the functions of the committee for the next triennium to be:

- a. To carry forward the work of the Every Member Canvass.
- b. To stress the claims of Christian stewardship, giving to the Church such an educational program as will stimulate larger gifts of life and means to the great work of the denomination.

c. A bureau of finance to study the methods of church finance that it may give expert advice to any boards, pastors, consistories, or members who may wish to consult it.

d. To coordinate and arrange in an orderly manner the presentation of the work of the four boards of General Synod.

e. To offer with its recommendation to the next meeting of the General Synod a complete budget of expenses of the several boards.

f. To prepare the Blue Book for the General Synod of 1920.

Item 3. This Committee shall consist of fourteen members—two appointed by the Board of Home Missions; two appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions; one appointed by the officers of the Laymen's Missionary Movement; one appointed by the Board of Ministerial Relief; one appointed by the Publication and Sunday-school Board; seven elected by this General Synod, three of whom shall be elected from six pastors nominated and four from eight elders nominated—the nominations to be made by the Synod's Committee on Nominations. The Committee shall be convened at the call of the President of the General Synod and shall effect its own organization. To assist in the prosecution of its work it may elect cooperating members.

Item 4. In view of the most excellent results achieved through classical and congregational missionary and stewardship committees the General Synod most earnestly requests, through Synods and Classes, the appointment of active and efficient missionary and stewardship committees in every Classis and every congregation of the denomination, and suggests that these committees make larger use of conferences, congregational meetings, and special Classical meetings, the latter preferably held after the meetings of district Synods, in order that the subject of church finance may be considered and our people led to understand and accept the claims of Christian stewardship.

Item 5. In order to bring every individual member of the Church to realize, accept, and shoulder his proportionate share of responsibility for bringing in the Kingdom of God, no better method has yet been devised than the Every Member Canvass. General Synod, therefore, earnestly urges through the Synods and Classes, a carefully planned and thoroughly prosecuted annual Every Member Canvass in every congregation throughout the Church. Slogan—"Every Member, giving to every cause, every week."

Item 6. General Synod requests and urges every Synod, Classis, and congregation to accept and pay annually the following amounts per communicant member: 80 cents for Home Missions; 80 cents for Foreign Missions; 10 cents for Ministerial Relief; and further, to regard these amounts as a minimum and that each congregation shall endeavor to realize the standard—"As much for others as for ourselves"; and that this be the instruction to the Committee on Finance for incorporation in their report as the apportionment.

Item 7. General Synod appoints a special committee of three to consider the subject of "unnecessary items of Contingent Expenses of General Synod," as referred to in the report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee (cf. Blue Book, p. 201, No. 3) and submit a report for action to the next meeting of General Synod.

Item 8. Through Synods and Classes General Synod urges every congregation to:

a. Keep the financial accounts of the congregation with the utmost care and diligence.

b. Appoint two treasurers, one to care for the current or congregational, the other the benevolent funds and accounts of the congregation.

c. Request the Treasurer of the congregation to forward all benevolent contributions to the Classical Treasurer and that the Classes request their treasurers to forward on the 10th and 25th of each month all funds intended for the boards.

Item 9. General Synod instructs its Stated Clerk concerning statistical tables:

a. That in Table No. 1, the items of benevolences—"Home Missions," "Foreign Missions," "Education," and "Other Benevolences," be restored as in the printed Table of minutes of General Synod, 1914.

b. That in Table No. 1, the section now designated "Additions" be divided into two sections, the one designated "Baptisms" and placed over the first two columns of the original section; the other designated "Additions" and placed over the remaining three columns.

c. That Table No. 2 be not printed in the minutes of General Synod.

d. That Table No. 2 be amended in accordance with the Table suggested by the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee (cf. Blue Book, p. 204) with this exception, that the following shall be the order of the first three columns: 1. "Church." 2. "Secretary, etc." 3. "Post-office address."

e. Definitions—"Education" in Table No. 1: "All gifts to Theological Seminaries, Colleges and Academies of our Church as well as all contribution for beneficiary education." "Family" in Table No. 2, Column 6: "In addition to the usual meaning of the word family, it shall be understood that one communicant member from a family or a household shall be counted one 'family.'"

Item 10. General Synod recommends to the Classes the advisability of closing the fiscal year with April 30th.

Item 11. Through Synods and Classes General Synod calls the attention of congregations to the fact that no minister in the Reformed Church should receive less than \$1000.00 salary and par-

sonage; and requests the Synods and Classes to take such action as may result in more adequate compensation for our ministers.

Item 12. General Synod assigns to the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee and the Stated Clerks the special duty of preparing the docket for the next meeting of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. REAGLE,

F. H. DIEHM,

EDWARD F. EVEMEYER,

S. K. CLEVER,

D. A. SHICKLE.

Committee

The foregoing report was adopted seriatim and finally as a whole.

Item 29. The reports on *Items 29* (a) and (b) were presented at the opening of Synod and adopted. See Art. VII, page 19 and page 3.

Item 30 was tabled until the Standing Committees on the Minutes of the several Synods had reported, and action is found on this item in the report of the Standing Committee on Finance.

Item 31 was tabled until after the reports on Minutes of District Synods.

Item 32 was adopted and ordered marked "Attended to."

Item 33 was adopted and marked "In process of being attended to."

Item 34. The report as printed in the "Blue Book" was referred together with a supplemental report to the Standing Committee on Finance. See Article IX, 17.

Item 35, sub items (a) to (l), were reported "Attended to" and ordered so marked. Under section (l) the Stated Clerk reported as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The undersigned, in accordance with instructions given at the Synod at Lancaster, Pa., three years ago, had printed by the Reformed Church Publication Board, at Philadelphia, Pa., 7500 copies of the Minutes in the English language, containing 465 pages of the Acts and Proceedings; 87 pages of the statistical tables; and 4 pages of general index, making a total of 556 pages, at an expense of \$2539.96, excluding the cost of boxing and shipment. The German edition, of 1500 copies, was published by the Central Publishing Board, at Cleveland, Ohio, containing 383 pages of the Acts and Proceedings, 4 pages of general index, and 87 pages of the statistical tables, making a

total of 474 pages, and expense of \$1139.96, not including boxing and cartage.

The distribution of the Minutes was made to the several District Synods according to the ratio of contingent apportionment received from these Synods, and the distribution made by the several Classes according to the ratio furnished by the Stated Clerks of the District Synods, that each Classis might receive its quota as soon as the Minutes were published.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

The entire matter of printing and increased expense was referred to a Special Committee to confer with the Stated Clerk and report at this session. The committee reported on Tuesday evening as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Synod has placed in the hands of this Special Committee the charge of the consideration of the practicability of an abbreviated report of the acts and proceedings of the General Synod. Your committee has carefully and fully gone into all phases of the suggestion and beg leave to make the following recommendations:

(1) *Number of Copies.* That the Stated Clerk be instructed to print and distribute an edition of the report of 5000 copies in the English language and 1000 in the German language.

(2) *Weight of Paper.* That the same good quality of paper be used but in lighter weight.

Yours for brevity,
EDWARD F. EVEMEYER,
W. A. SETTLAGE, F. C. BRUNHOUSE.

The foregoing report was adopted seriatim and as a whole.

3. MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT SYNODS

The several standing committees on the Minutes of the District Synods presented their reports which were separately considered, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The several reports with action thereon are as follows:

1. Minutes of Eastern Synod

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Minutes of Eastern Synod would respectfully report that it has examined the Minutes of the Synods held in 1914, and 1915 and 1916, and finds that all the recommendations of the General Synod were

adopted except that it is unfavorable to the creation of the Board of Beneficiary Education, deeming it inadvisable to change the Constitution of the Church in order to create said Board. (Minutes, 1916—p. 74.)

Further the Eastern Synod overtures General Synod to define the status of a minister while he is engaged in a secular calling. (Minutes, 1915—p. 33.)

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK C. SEITZ,
J. H. PANNEBECKER, M. J. ULRICH,
E. J. LAROSE, C. FRANK STAHLER.

The action taken was as follows:

This report was adopted.

The item on creating a Board of Beneficiary Education was tabled until the other Synods reported and the item on "Minister engaged in secular calling" was referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

For final action see *Item 8*, report of Special Committee on Constitutional Questions.

II. Minutes of the Ohio Synod

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee on the Minutes of the Ohio Synod examined the Minutes for the years 1914, 1915 and 1916, and offers the following report:

A. Minutes of 1914

Item 1. This item refers to a communication from the Stated Clerk of General Synod with reference to the adoption of "the Budget and Apportionment Plan," which the General Synod recommends to the earnest consideration of the district Synods in the fall of 1914. P. 31.

In response to this recommendation the Ohio Synod refers the matter to the Classes for discussion and action at their next annual meeting. P. 32. Min. 1914.

Item 2. General Synod sends down a recommendation that ten cents per member be apportioned for Ministerial Relief.

To this the Ohio Synod responds (p. 59) by urging upon the various congregations the payment of ten cents per member to General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief.

B. Minutes of 1915

Item 1, Page 63. The Ohio Synod overtures the General Synod to establish a Rural Church Commission.

C. Minutes of 1916

Item 1. The Ohio Synod overtures for reference to General Synod's Special Committees the matter of Ministerial Pensions for investigation as to its merits.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. ROHRBAUGH,
L. A. SIGRIST, J. S. KLECKNER,
H. L. V. SHINN, H. W. VOGT.
Committee

The action taken was as follows:

Item A, 1 and 2, was adopted.

Items B and *C* were referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures and the report was finally adopted as a whole.

III. Minutes of Synod of the Northwest

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee respectfully calls the attention of General Synod to the following items in the Minutes of the Synod of the Northwest of 1914, 1915 and 1916.

Item 1, Pages 47-51. Synod calls attention of General Synod to certain alleged errors in forming its decision in the appeal and complaint pertaining to the relocation of the Mission House, and tables the acceptance of the decision of the Judicial Committee until 1917.

Item 2. The Synod expresses its hearty thanks to the honorable General Synod for the liberal support of the German Home Mission work. It further instructs its Board to coöperate with the General Board and acquaint the same with the nature and needs of the work.

Item 3, Page 13b. General Synod is overtured to establish a Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Loveland, Col., or at some other suitable place.

Item 4, Page 174. The Synod desires a closer coöperation between its Board of Education and the Sunday-school Board of General Synod.

All other recommendations of General Synod were either adopted or received due consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSIAS FRIEDLI,
H. L. PRANGE, VALENTINE ACCOLA.
C. M. ZENK, J. T. VOLLPRECHT.

Action was taken as follows:

Item 1 was referred to the Judicial Committee. (See *Item 4* of report.)

Item 2 was adopted.

On Item 3 General Synod called the attention of the Synod of the Northwest to its action in 1914, as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the General Synod, in view of the fact that the State and other eleemosynary institutions make provision for the care of tubercular patients, it is inexpedient to undertake such work.

Item 4 was adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools.

The report was finally adopted as a whole.

IV. Minutes of the Pittsburgh Synod

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: We present the following for your consideration:

(1) Pittsburgh Synod acted favorably on all items referred to it by your body, except the matter of the formation by General Synod of a Board of Beneficiary Education (Min. Gen. Synod, 1914, p. 447). Pittsburgh Synod in its Minutes of 1916, p. 59, disapproves of the contemplated action in view of Articles 106 and 115 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States.

(2) Pittsburgh Synod overtures General Synod "to take steps to amend Article 67 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States so as to provide for the election of another set of delegates, when Synod meets in general convention, by the charges which find it impossible to be represented by delegates chosen to represent them at the annual meeting of the Classes.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL B. RUPP,	E. M. DIETRICH,
S. H. DIETZEL,	W. H. HABEL.

The action taken was as follows:

Item 1 was tabled until the other Synods reported.

Item 2 was referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures. (No further action recorded.)

The report was adopted as a whole.

V. Minutes of Potomac Synod

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee on Minutes of Potomac Synod begs leave to report that the Synod of the Potomac took favorable action on all matters referred to it by the General Synod:

Except in the matter of apportionment for Foreign Missions, (see Minutes of Synod of A. D. 1914, page 21, item 15). Synod accepted \$30,000 of the \$38,837 referred to it. The sum of \$30,000

for Foreign Missions was referred to its Classes in the years 1914 and 1915 of the triennium.

In the last year of the triennium (1916) the Synod referred to its Classes the whole sum, \$38,837.

The Synod also took favorable action (Min. of A. D. 1916, page 27, item 2, Maryland Classis) regarding the reference of an overture to the General Synod.

DEAR BRETHREN: Whereas, the sense of right and justice is leading men in very many professions and callings to provide in old age for those who have given their best powers in the prime of life to the service of humanity, and

Whereas, this same sense of right and justice in the church should find expression in making adequate provision for aged ministers.

Resolved, that Maryland Classis hereby overtures the General Synod through the Synod of the Potomac to inaugurate and put into effect as speedily as possible a pension system for the ministers of the Reformed Church.

Resolved, that we commend to the favorable consideration of the General Synod the scientific and admirable pension system adopted by the Episcopal Church with the view of adapting it with such changes as may be advisable to the Reformed Church.

Resolved, that a plan be inaugurated by the General Synod for raising a fund of at least five hundred thousand dollars as a basis for a pension system as speedily as possible and, that, in our judgment, this proposed plan should involve the raising of this amount by the laymen of our Church and the institution of a pension system and its administration by their active coöperation.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. COBLENTZ,	
ANDREW H. SMITH,	B. S. FOUSE,
T. A. ALSPACH,	J. W. PEELER.

Action was taken as follows:

Item 1 was adopted.

Item 2 was referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures. The report was finally adopted as a whole.

VI. Minutes of the German Synod of the East

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The following documents were handed to your committee:

1. Three copies of the Minutes of the German Synod of the East, 1914-1915-1916.

2. A report on the Minutes of the German Synod of the East by the Stated Clerk of said Synod, Rev. A. E. Dahlmann.

From the above documents your committee submits the following report:

1. In regard to the Budget and Apportionment Plan.

(A) The item specifying a change of time to November or December for holding the annual and special meetings of Classes was referred to the Classes for consideration.

(B) The Budget and Apportionment Plan already in use in a number of congregations was approved and the attention of the Classes directed to the importance of introducing it in all their congregations. See Minutes, 1914, pp. 125-127.

2. According to the recommendation of General Synod the apportionment of 10 cents per member for Ministerial Relief was referred to the Classes for adoption. See Minutes, 1914, p. 111.

3. The celebration of the Martyrdom of John Huss 500 years ago, the 400th Jubilee celebration of the Protestant Reformation and the observance of the martyrdom of the Huguenots in Florida 350 years ago, as recommended by General Synod, were approved and the attention of the officers of Synod and of the Classes was directed toward making proper arrangements for these memorial celebrations. See Minutes, 1915, p. 10.

4. The resolutions of General Synod in regard to the temperance and prohibition question were considered, but no further action taken. See Minutes, 1915, p. 10.

5. The "Plan for the Quarto-centennial observance of the Reformation prepared by the committee of General Synod, was approved, recommended to the Classes and arrangements made for a worthy synodical observance of this vital epoch in the history of the Christian Church. See Minutes of 1916, pp. 158 and 159.

6. A plan for the support of ministers and their dependents is presented to the General Synod for consideration and adoption. See Minutes, 1916, pp. 162-165.

7. All other recommendations and resolutions of General Synod received due consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. KOSOWER,

PAUL SOMMERLATTE, V. J. TINGLER.

Action was taken as follows:

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7 were severally adopted.

Item 6 was referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

The report was finally adopted as a whole.

VII. Minutes of Central Synod

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee appointed to examine the Minutes and Proceedings of Central Synod re-

spectfully reports that it has carefully examined the Minutes for the years 1914, 1915 and 1916 and finds that all the recommendations of General Synod were adopted, They contain no other items requiring the attention of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. E. LIENKAEMPER,	
ALFRED GRETHER,	H. S. RAISER,
J. F. VORNHOLT	C. H. DIEHM.

This report was adopted as a whole.

VIII. Minutes of the Synod of the Interior

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee on the Minutes of the Synod of the Interior reports as follows:

Item 1. All items, recommendations, and apportionments were accepted.

Item 2. The Synod overtures General Synod for representation on the Board of Home Missions.

Item 3. Synod overtures General Synod for her interest and aid in regard to the alienation of two congregations and the taking over of the church property at Stonington, Ill., Illinois Classis, and appoints the delegates of Illinois Classis as a Special Committee to bring the whole matter before Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. KRAUSE, <i>Chairman,</i>	
D. F. BOOMERSHINE,	G. N. REBERT,
JACOB DUTSMAN,	A. F. YERMAN.

The action taken is as follows:

Item 1 was adopted.

Item 2 was adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Home Missions.

Item 3 was adopted and, following the re-opening of the Report on Minutes of English Classes, was referred to a special committee to report to this Synod. Said committee reported on Tuesday evening. The report was considered item by item and the following substitute was adopted in place of the action proposed by the committee:

Whereas, in the judgment of the General Synod of the Reformed Church, the principles of interdenominational comity were violated in the matter of the Stonington, Illinois, Charge, we desire to bring the case to the notice of the Council of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System, with the petition for their verdict; and we instruct the officers of the General Synod to lay the case before the Executive Committee of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System.

The report was finally adopted as a whole.

IX. Minutes of the Synod of the Southwest

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the Synod of the Southwest for the years 1914, 1915 and 1916 had referred to it the report on the Minutes of the Synod of the Southwest for the years stated. After attending to its duties the Committee begs to report that this Synod has taken favorable action on the recommendations and handed the same down to its members through its various Classes. There were no overtures to the General Synod and no complaints.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. LAHR,	H. LOUIS BIERBAUM,
L. SELZER,	LOUIS WORTHMAN.

The report was adopted as a whole.

4. MINUTES OF THE CLASSES

I. English Classes

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Minutes of English Classes presents the following report:

Item 1. Abstracts from the Minutes of Classes have been received from all the English Classes, except Hungarian, Pittsburgh Synod, which Classis submitted its full minutes instead of the abstract of the same in accordance with the rule of this Synod as set forth, p. 112, Min. Gen. Synod, 1914.

Item 2. All subjects referred to the Classes were favorably acted upon with the following exceptions:

(a) Goshenhoppen Classis, Eastern Synod, and Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod, do not approve of the special Sunday called "Young People's Day." (p. 53.)

(b) Goshenhoppen Classis, Eastern Synod, Carlisle Classis and Classis of Juniata, Potomac Synod, and Illinois and Iowa Classis, Interior Synod, do not approve of the suggested change of the time of meeting of Classes. (p. 86.)

(c) Goshenhoppen Classis, Eastern Synod, does not approve the appointment of a benevolent treasurer. (p. 83.)

(d) Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod, is unwilling to have its congregations remit moneys directly to the Treasurers of Boards, but prefers the practice of remitting through Classical Treasurer. (p. 429.)

(e) The Classes which disapproved the proposed plan of Ministerial Sustentation are West Susquehanna, Tohicken and Schuylkill Classes of Eastern Synod; Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod; Westmoreland Classis and Somerset Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; Maryland Classis, Classis of Virginia, Classis of Juniata, Potomac Synod; Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior. (p. 232.)

(f) Schuylkill Classis, Eastern Synod, rejects the financial system of the Church as represented and recommended in Minutes of General Synod. (Pp. 403-406.)

(g) Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod, does not deem it advisable to comply with the request to forward statistics to the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee. (p. 403.)

Item 3. Overtures.

(a) That Classis of East Pennsylvania, Eastern Synod, overtures the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States for deliverance on Article 84 of the Constitution as follows:

(1) Do those Classes comply with the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States which hand parochial reports to the Committee on the State of the Church without being first read in open Classis?

(2) Do those Classes comply with the Constitution which call the elders to the chancel in a body and ask the constitutional questions of all at the same time?

(b) East Susquehanna Classis, Eastern Synod, overtures General Synod to adopt a plan for the filling of vacant charges and for changing pastorates, similar to the one in vogue in the Presbyterian Church.

(c) West Susquehanna Classis, Eastern Synod, draws the attention of General Synod to its failure to complete its action on Item 33, overture from Eastern Synod, regarding Biennial Sessions of General Synod (see page 12, Minutes General Synod) and requests favorable action on said overture.

(d) Lehigh Classis, Eastern Synod, overtures the General Synod to make the following changes on its Statistical Blanks:

ON NO. 1

1. Divide the section designated "Additions" into "Baptisms" and "Additions," placing the first two columns under "Baptisms" and the remaining three (as they are) under "Additions," thus keeping clear and separate all real additions to the confirmed membership of the Church.

2. The column now designated "Scholars, Home Department included," designate as follows: "Entire enrollment, omitting Officers and Teachers." This will help to prevent the frequent error of reporting officers and teachers twice.

3. Replace the column designated "Minutes of Synod Wanted" at the end of the blank.

ON NO. 2

1. Reverse the order of the columns designated "Church" and "P. O. Address." It seems proper that the name and the address should follow; as it now stands the address may be interpreted to be the location of the congregation, rather than the secretary.

2. Designate Column No. 20 "Classical Expenses" instead of "Classical Treasury." The present designation is interpreted by some as covering all moneys paid to the Treasurer of Classis.

(e) Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, asks General Synod to consider the following principles in making apportionments for benevolence:

a. The needs of the Church as set forth by itemized budgets of the Boards of the General Synod.

b. The itemized statements of the Treasurers of the Classes of the moneys paid upon such apportionments for the three years past to serve as a basis to determine the possible resources of the Church to meet the needs as set forth in Section "a."

(f) Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod, overtures General Synod to note the frequent violation of Article 71, of the Constitution on the part of charges electing persons to pastorates who are not licensed to preach, and asks for a deliverance on the same.

(g) St. Joseph Classis, Ohio Synod, overtures General Synod's Publication and Sunday-school Board to coöperate with other ecclesiastical bodies in providing suitable educational and moral moving pictures so as to neutralize the influence so largely evil by the moving picture shows as conducted at present.

(h) Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, overtures General Synod to authorize the Board of Ministerial Relief to elect an Executive Secretary to give his full time and service to the work.

(i) Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, overtures General Synod to consider the desirability of constituting the membership of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee of pastors and elders and that the executive secretaries of the several Boards, and the representatives of the Association of Colleges and Seminaries be made corresponding members of the Committee.

(j) Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod, calls the attention of General Synod to the fact that the interpretation given to Article 85 (page 439, General Synod Minutes) applies to Article 84 of the Constitution.

(k) Classis of Virginia, Potomac Synod, asks General Synod that Article 71 of the Constitution of the Church be changed to allow a student for the ministry, during the latter half of the Senior Seminary year, to accept a call tentatively.

(l) The Classis of Juniata, Potomac Synod, requests General Synod to urge upon the several Classes that they be prompt, through their Executive Committees, to act upon requests of their members for certificates of dismission to other Classes, so that there be no infraction of Article 17 of the Constitution.

(m) Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, asks General Synod to adopt a plan of Ministerial Relief similar to that of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

(n) Illinois Classis, Interior Synod, calls the attention of General Synod to the report of a special committee on a controversy between Presbyterian and Reformed Church interests at Stonington, Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

W. STUART CRAMER,
PAUL BARRINGER, J. W. KELLER,
JACOB E. SCHEETZ, JOHN WHITE.

Action was taken on this report item by item as follows:

Item 1 was adopted and the attention of the Hungarian Classis called to the requirement of General Synod.

Item 2, (a), (b), (c), and (d) were adopted.

(e) was referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

(f) and (g) were referred to the Special Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

Item 3, (a—1 and 2) were referred through the Standing Committee on Overtures to the Judicial Committee.

(b to i, and k) were referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

(j) and (l) were adopted.

(m) was referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

(n) was adopted and referred to the Special Committee on the Stonington Church Case.

The report was adopted as a whole.

II. Minutes of German Classes

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on the Minutes of German Classes begs leave to submit the following report:

1. All the Stated Clerks of the 24 German Classes complied with the request of the General Synod in sending in their reports, except one, namely the Manitoba Classis, Synod of the Northwest. Two of the reports were of such a nature that they were of little help.

2. All of the Classes adopted or took favorable notice of the Huss Celebration, the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation and the 350th Anniversary of the Huguenot Massacre in Florida. Sheboygan Classis recommended a Zwingli Memorial Service on Reformation Day.

3. Most Classes adopted or took favorable notice of the General Synod's request that Stated Clerks send in statistics of the Young People's Societies, Religious Education, Bible in Public Schools, keeping of Congregational Records, Sabbath Observance, Schaff

Memorial Building, Sunday-school Publications, Orphanages, Children's Day Celebrations and Collections, and Benevolent Institutions. South Dakota Classis favors Bible reading in the Public Schools without making comments on the same; has no Young People's Society and does not want any.

4. *Ministerial Relief.* The majority of Classes adopt or take favorable action on General Synod's Plan. Shaboygan Classis reports that it cannot adopt the Constitution because the larger sums are to go into the emergency fund. Milwaukee Classis will abide with the Synod of the Northwest until General Synod has something that is equally as good. Minnesota Classis rejects the plan and Portland-Oregon Classis leaves it with the congregations wherever they wish to send their money. Ursinus Classis recommends amalgamation of General Synod's Society and the Northwest Synod's as soon as proper plans have been worked out. North Dakota Classis rejects. New York Classis rejects and submits a new plan consisting of a pension system. German Maryland Classis recommends the Sustentation plan, because a similar plan has been successfully tried out in the Synod of the Northwest. It requests the Board to continue to work for unity with the Northwest. Erie Classis rejects the plan on the ground that it is inadequate and that only a pension plan of the Church should be adopted. Indiana Classis adopts General Synod's plan, but adds an emergency clause: that in case a minister, for good reasons, cannot pay his dues, the Board shall reinstate him into his former rights, if the reasons are sufficient.

5. All the Classes adopt or take notice of General Synod's recommendations on Missions, a few report no action. St. John's Classis disapproves of the excessive use of words and figures in making and giving reports making them unnecessary long and tiresome. It rejects Statistical Blank No. 2.

6. The report of the Special Committee on Union with the Presbyterian Church and Closer Union with Churches having the Presbyterian System was generally adopted and favorable notice taken. St. John's Classis wishes the efforts towards union to cease. North and South Dakota Classes reject the recommendations on the ground that it, in their opinion, is inconsistent with the obligations a minister takes when he is licensed and ordained.

7. Survey of the Reformed Church; Raising of Ministers' Salaries. All reports on these two items are favorable.

8. An informant relative to Ministerial Relief is appointed by all who report on the item.

9. Finance, Every Member Canvass, Stewardship Committee and Missionary Committees. Most Classes adopt, endorse or take notice of General Synod's recommendations on these matters. Ursinus Classis retains its former methods; Kentucky Classis does not see its way clear to carry out the Every Member Canvass; Portland-Oregon Classis wants free-will offerings. Eureka Classis

reports that it is not practicable in the far west. One Classis reports that several congregations objected to the Every Member Canvass Plan and therefore could not adopt the plan as a Classis. South Dakota Classis is of the opinion that the Every-member Canvass Movement is unscriptural in its principle and object.

10. Temperance recommendations as made by General Synod are rejected by Sheboygan Classis, Ursinus, Eureka, North and South Dakota and Maryland Classes. Maryland Classis holds that the vow taken at the time of confirmation is sufficient. South Dakota Classis rejects because they are unscriptural, would condemn the Lord for converting water into wine, mutilate the Lord's Supper, place the opinions and commandments of man above the Holy Scriptures, directs the attention of General Synod to Col. 2; 20-23: "Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, (touch not, taste not, handle not; which all are to perish with the using); after the commandments and doctrine of men? Which things have indeed a show of wisdom in will-worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honor to the satisfying of the flesh."

11. Missouri Classis now belongs to the Synod of the Southwest and requests General Synod to acknowledge it as belonging to the same.

12. Special request of Indiana Classis. Since the 7th Church of Indianapolis, Indiana, could not send an acting elder, Classis appointed John Brill, ex-elder of said Church as special representative (delegate) and asks the Reverend General Synod, through the Synod of the Southwest, to sanction this action if possible.

13. Portland-Oregon Classis wishes to call attention of General Synod to their new edition of Psalms, which is not a translation of the English Psalms, but a new collection of singable Psalms.

14. West New York Classis overtures General Synod to designate in Article 17 of the Constitution of our Church that the moving expenses of a pastor and family be paid by the charge which calls him.

Also overtures General Synod to state clearly the meaning intended in Statistical Blank No. 2, columns 13 and 14. "Education for Ministry," and "Theological Seminary."

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. SETTLAGE,

D. R. RAISER, J. F. GRAUEL.

Action on this report was taken seriatim as follows:

Item 1. Adopted and the attention of the Stated Clerk of the Classis called to the neglect.

Items 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 13 were adopted.

Item 4 was adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

Item 5 was adopted and St. John's Classis was requested to comply with the action of General Synod regarding Statistical Blank No. 2.

Item 10 was adopted and referred to the Special Committee on Temperance.

Item 11 was adopted and the Stated Clerk of General Synod was requested to record Missouri Classis as belonging to the Synod of the Southwest.

Item 12 was adopted and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

Item 14 (a) and (b) was adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

The report was finally adopted as a whole.

5. OVERTURES

The Standing Committee on Overtures presented its report at intervals; it was considered item by item. The report together with the action recommended by the committee and adopted by the General Synod, is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Overtures begs leave to submit the following items and recommendations:

1. An overture from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod, requesting General Synod "to urge upon the several Classes that they be prompt, through their Executive Committees, in acting upon request for certificates of dismission to other Classes, that there be no infraction of Article 17 of the Constitution." Recommended that the item be adopted and the attention of the Classes called thereto.

2. An overture from Missouri Classis requesting that General Synod recognize that Classis as belonging to the Synod of the Southwest. Recommended that the request be granted.

3. An overture from Indiana Classis, Synod of the Southwest, requesting General Synod to approve its action in receiving its former elder as a special delegate from the Seventh Church of Indianapolis, when said Church could not send an acting elder.

Recommended that General Synod reply that it cannot approve of this violation of the Constitution. On the other hand it calls the attention of the Classes to the fact that such a brother could have been invited to a seat as an advisory member.

4. An overture from West Susquehanna Classis, Eastern Synod, calling the attention of General Synod to its failure to complete its action on Item 33, overture from Eastern Synod, regarding Biennial Sessions of General Synod and requests favorable action upon said overture.

Recommend that General Synod respectfully reply that it does not deem it advisable to change from Triennial to Biennial Sessions.

5. (a) An overture from East Susquehanna Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting General Synod to adopt a plan for the filling of vacancies in pastorates similar to the one in vogue in the Presbyterian Church; (b) an overture from the Reverend M. Loucks, D. D., requesting similar action and submitting the plan now in vogue in the Presbyterian Church and requesting the appointment of a committee to report at the next meeting of the General Synod.

Recommend that this item with sub-items be adopted and that a special committee be appointed to report at the next meeting of General Synod. For committee see "Special Committees."

6. An overture from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting General Synod to take immediate steps to provide suitable means to give greater emphasis to the work of Evangelism in our denomination through the hands of a separate committee or board.

Recommend that the item be referred to the Standing Committee on Home Missions.

7. (a) An overture from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting General Synod to adopt the plan of Ministerial Relief as approved by the Board of Ministerial Relief.

(b) An overture from Indiana Classis, Synod of the Southwest, recommending the same plan with certain modifications.

(c) An overture from Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting General Synod to authorize its Board of Ministerial Relief to adopt a plan similar to the one in operation in the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. It also requests General Synod to authorize the Board of Ministerial Relief to elect an Executive Secretary.

(d) An overture from Classis of Tuscarawas, Ohio Synod, respectfully referring back to General Synod for further consideration the Plan for Ministerial Relief.

(e) An overture from New York Classis, German Synod of the East, calling the attention of General Synod to its rejection of the Plan of Sustentation and the submission of another plan as a substitute.

(f) An overture from Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod, requesting General Synod to adopt a Pension System similar to that of the Episcopal Church.

Recommend that this item with sub-items be referred to the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief.

8. (a) An overture from Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, to observe certain principles in making and sending forth its apportionments for benevolence. Recommend that this be referred to the Special United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

(b) An overture from Reading Classis, Eastern Synod, relative to constituting the membership of the United Missionary and

Stewardship Committee. Recommended that the item be referred to the Special United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

9. An overture from Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod, requesting General Synod, through the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee or some other committee, for the coördination and arranging in an orderly manner the presentation of recognized benevolence institutions. Recommend that the item be referred to the Special United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

10. (a) An overture from Maryland Classis, German Synod of the East, requesting a deliverance of General Synod on the necessity of appointing an elder on the Executive Committee of a Classis.

(b) An overture from Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod, calling the attention to the frequent violation of Article 71 of the Constitution, requesting a deliverance on same.

(c) An overture from East Pennsylvania Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting a deliverance on Article 84. Recommended that this item and sub-items be referred to the Judicial Committee.

11. (a) An overture from Lehigh Classis, Eastern Synod, relative to changes in statistical blanks.

(b) An overture from Kentucky Classis, Southwest Synod, relative to the word "Family" in statistical blank No. 2.

(c) An overture from Rev. H. S. Nicholson, relative to fixing a definite date when the work of every congregation should close.

(d) An overture from West New York Classis, German Synod of the East, requesting deliverance on columns 13 and 15 in statistical blank No. 2.

(e) An overture from the Synod of the Northwest, requesting the restoration of the column, "Minutes of Synod Wanted."

(f) An overture from the Classis of Tuscarawas, Ohio Synod, for a more simple form of statistical blank. Recommended that this item with sub-items be referred to the Special Committee on the report of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

12. (a) An overture from Rev. J. T. Bucher, relative to making provision for the ordination of licentiates who may accept calls to professorships.

(b) An overture from Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod, relative to amending Article 71 of the Constitution.

(c) An overture from Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod, relative to the desirability of reconstituting the Classes and Synods so that no two Classes or Synods shall occupy the same territory.

(d) An overture from Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod, requesting a change in the Constitution so as to permit the election of women to the consistories of congregations, in such proportions as General Synod may see fit.

(e) An overture from the West New York Classis, German Synod of the East, requesting a change in the Constitution so as to require the payment of the moving expenses of a pastor by the congregation calling him.

(f) An overture from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting a change in the Constitution making provision for pastor emeritus.

(g) An overture from Eastern Synod requesting General Synod to initiate such amendment to the Constitution as will define the status of a minister engaged in a secular calling.

(h) An overture from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting an amendment to the Constitution, so as to permit transfer of a minister not in the service from the roll of a Classis to the roll of a congregation.

(i) An overture from Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod, requesting an amendment of Article 98, of Section 5, by the insertion of the word "three," instead of the word "four," so that the sentence shall read, "A Synod is composed of three or more adjacent Classes, designated by General Synod which has jurisdiction over them."

Recommended that this item with the sub-items be referred to a Special Committee on Constitutional Changes, who shall consider the advisability of these several constitutional changes and recommend such forms for adoption as may be necessary for the submission to the several Classes.

13. An overture from the Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., inviting General Synod to meet in said Church in 1920, on the Harvard plan. Recommended that the invitation be accepted. (Adopted by a rising vote.)

14. An overture from the Executive Commission of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches, relative to the publication of additional works of Zwingli. Recommended that it be referred to the Special Committee of General Synod on Zwingli Manuscripts.

15. (a) An overture from the National Reform Association, requesting that we join others in petitioning the President for a day of prayer in behalf of World Peace.

(b) Three communications from the Federal Council of Churches.

(c) A communication from the World's Alliance for promoting international friendship through the Churches.

Recommended that this item with sub-items be referred to the Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

16. An overture from the National Lord's Day Alliance relative to Sabbath observance.

Recommended that the following be our action:

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States expresses the conviction that "The Law of the

Sabbath is divine and of perpetually binding obligation upon all men and therefore all secularization of the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, is destructive of its beneficent design and subversive of both public and private morality."

Resolved, That this Synod does hereby protest most earnestly against the playing of golf and baseball, the operation of pool-rooms, motion pictures, and theaters on the Lord's Day, and does most urgently request its Synods, Classes, consistories and congregations to lend all possible help to make effective this protest.

J. M. S. ISENBERG,
A. S. DECHANT, C. V. BOWERS,
J. S. FREEMAN, E. P. FEUTZ.

The foregoing report was finally adopted as a whole.

6. CORRESPONDENCE WITH SISTER CHURCHES

The Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches presented its report on Tuesday afternoon. The report was adopted as a whole. Rev. Dr. Philip Vollmer was appointed the representative on Ministerial Relief under *Item 7*.

The reports of the Fraternal Delegates to Corresponding bodies were approved and special action for the next triennium taken as found in the report of the Standing Committee on Nominations. The books presented were ordered placed in the Archives. In the consideration of the report General Synod was addressed by the Rev. Dr. Jno. A. Henderson, Fraternal Delegate from the United Presbyterian Church and by the Rev. Dr. I. W. Gowan from the Reformed Church in America, to which fraternal addresses the President of Synod made appropriate reply. On Tuesday evening Dr. A. S. Weber presented the greetings of the Council of Reformed Churches in America Holding the Presbyterian System. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches has received for its consideration the following reports and papers:

Item 1. (a) A number of reports covering meetings, etc., of Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

(b) Report of the delegates to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ.

(c) Two communications from the Commission on Inter-Church Federation of the Federal Council.

Item 2. Minutes of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America.

Item 3. Minutes of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System, Western Section.

Item 4. Report of Committee on Conference on Faith and Order.

Item 5. Report of the Permanent Commission on Closer Relations and Church Union.

Item 6. Communication from the National Reform Association.

Item 7. Report of Fraternal Delegates.

(a) To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, Rev. H. H. Ranck, D. D.

(b) To the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rev. John B. Rust, D. D.

(c) To the Reformed Episcopal Church, Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D. Also the following books:

a. One volume—Federal Council Year-book covering the year of 1916.

b. One volume—The Churches of Christ in Council—by MacFarland; it being volume 1, Library of Christian Coöperation.

c. One volume—Annual Reports of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America for the year of 1915.

d. Six volumes—Presented by Dr. MacFarland; said volumes covering matters pertaining to the Federal Council and entitled "The Library of Christian Coöperation."

ON FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

1. (a) The communications from this body referred to your committee contain a mass of interesting information concerning the various activities of the Council on which no action of General Synod is required.

Action by General Synod on the following items is specifically asked for by the Secretary of the Council.

Item 1. An appropriate celebration by our congregations of the 400th anniversary of the nailing of Luther's theses to the Castle Church door at Wittenberg, this celebration to take place on or about October 31, 1917.

We recommend adoption.

Item 2. A request concerning our relation with the Churches of Europe. As this action of the Council has necessarily been modified by later developments no action seems to be required on this request. (See Item 6.)

Item 3. Council requests the establishing of a more direct medium of communication between the Council and the several constituent bodies, and suggests the representatives upon the Executive Committee of the Council be herewith empowered to act in this capacity.

Item 4. A request from the Council that the delegates to the Council be elected or appointed for periods which shall cover the interval between the quadrennial or biennial meetings of the Council, as the case may be.

We recommend that this request be complied with by the General Synod.

Item 5. A request that it shall be made the duty of delegates to the Council to render full reports of the actions of the Council to their several bodies and that the members of the Executive Council be charged with reporting the actions of their several bodies concerning the Federal Council to its meetings.

We recommend approval.

Item 6. A request to approve of the change of the constitution and by-laws of the Council by which the words "Delegates" and "Representatives" are changed to read "Members." Further that alternates be regarded as temporary substitutes for members, becoming members only upon the death, resignation, or other permanent disqualification of the members for whom they are elected alternates.

We recommend approval.

Item 7. A request that the constituent bodies elect or appoint one representative each for a committee on Ministerial Relief and Sustentation of the Council. We recommend compliance with this request and that the President of the General Synod appoint the representative asked for.

Item 8. A resolution concerning the entering of the United States into the war asking for the preservation of Christian ideals and aims even during the trying times of the war.

We recommend adoption.

Item 9. An overture from the World Alliance of the Churches of Christ, made through the Federal Council, asking for the establishment of a commission to coöperate with the American Council Alliance for promoting International Friendship.

RESOLUTIONS FOR COÖPERATION WITH THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF THE WORLD ALLIANCE FOR PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP THROUGH THE CHURCHES

In view of the extraordinary international situation which confronts the nations which also profoundly concerns all Christians and all churches; and:

In view of the pressing call that they all should unite in the largest way and with the sanest methods for establishing Christian principles in the dealings of the United States with the belligerent nations of Europe, with Mexico and Latin America, and with China and Japan.

1. *Resolved*, That all our pastors be urged to secure from the World's Alliance for International Friendship (105 East 22nd

Street, New York City) its literature dealing with the new task of the churches.

2. *Resolved*, That all of our Churches be requested to establish at an early date their local church committees for coöperating with the World Alliance.

3. *Resolved*, That at some suitable time in the course of the coming autumn or winter, the various groups within the local churches should plan, as a regular part of their program, the study of a course on Christian Internationalism, prepared by the World's Alliance.

4. *Resolved*, That the various religious weeklies and other organs of our body be requested to keep our membership informed of the activities and programme of the World's Alliance for International Friendship, in order that our body, as our regiment in the great Christian army of the United States, may keep step with the other denominations and that we may be ready to do our part effectively in christianizing America's international relations.

RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL
FRIENDSHIP THROUGH THE CHURCHES, TO COÖPERATE WITH
THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF THE WORLD'S ALLIANCE
FOR PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP
THROUGH THE CHURCHES.

Whereas, Present world conditions call for: a clearer recognition of the Christian principles of the brotherhood of man; the practice of righteousness and good-will between individuals; the substitution of judicial processes for war in the settlement of international disputes; and the embodiment of these principles in national policies and laws, not merely as abstract principles but as practical convictions for the development of which Christian Churches have special responsibility. *Therefore be it*

Resolved, That this body welcomes the invitation of this Commission, to coöperate with it and with the American Council of the World's Alliance.

That General Synod hereby establishes a commission for this purpose, to consist of five (5) persons, to be appointed by the President of General Synod; and we suggest the names of Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., James I. Good, D. D., Geo. Leslie Omwake, Pd. D., and Harry E. Paisley, these brethren being members of the American Council of the World Alliance for promoting International Friendship, as our representatives on the Commission.

Resolved, That we endorse the joint invitation of the Federal Council and of the World's Alliance, to our congregations to establish local committees on International Friendship to coöperate with them; and we urge that these committees be appointed at an early date.

1. (b) From the report of the delegates to the Federal Council we call attention to the following:

A meeting of the Federal Council was held in St. Louis, Mo., December 6-11, 1916. Of the ten delegates elected by General Synod, six were present. In the organization Rev. Dr. C. E. Schaeffer served as one of the clerks and Rev. Dr. Rufus W. Miller and Chas. E. Schaeffer were appointed to represent our Church on the Executive Committee. The business was reported by commissions representing a wide field of Christian life and activity. The chief being: Evangelism, Federated Movement, Christian Education, Temperance, Church and Social Service, International Justice and Good-will, Relations with Oriental Countries and Negro Churches.

On the basis of the above report your committee recommends the following action—see page 227 (Blue Book).

1. General Synod reiterates its former action placing a high value on the basic principles and the work of the Federal Council. It considers even the mere existence of such a comprehensive organization representing virtually the whole of American Protestantism as a great blessing to the progress of God's Kingdom on earth.

2. In view of the wide scope and the far-reaching consequences as well as because of our full membership in the Council, we hereby recommend to add to the list of standing committees one to review the Minutes of the Federal Council and its Commissions at the meetings of General Synod.

3. The Committee on Nominations is hereby directed to nominate candidates for ten delegates to the next quadrennial meeting of the Council, to be held in 1920, consisting in part of elders.

4. General Synod accepts, and directs its Treasurer to pay, the amount apportioned to the Reformed Church for the maintenance of the Council.

1. (c) The following communications together with the actions suggested, are recommended for favorable action by General Synod:

The Commission on Inter-Church Federations of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America most cordially invites the Reformed Church in the United States to participate in the Congress on the Purpose and Methods of Inter-Church Federations to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 1 to 4, 1917.

"Will you present this invitation to the proper body with the request that from five to ten delegates be appointed to attend this Congress; to participate in the discussions; to state what methods can be followed to bring the reports to the attention of the churches of your fellowship and to assist in other ways in carrying out the recommendations that will be adopted?"

"We desire so far as possible to have the Constituent Bodies of the Federal Council take a most serious part in this Congress. The war has so intensified the work of this Commission and made

such urgent demands upon the churches for wisely thought-out plans of coöperation, that we must have your prompt and hearty assistance in making the recommendations of this Congress worthy of the religious forces of America."

Your Committee recommends that five delegates be appointed to represent General Synod in this Congress.

2. ON THE COUNCIL OF THE REFORMED CHURCHES IN AMERICA HOLDING THE PRESBYTERIAN SYSTEM

This Council met in its fifth biennial meeting in Philadelphia in the Historical Society rooms, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Tuesday, March 21, 1916.

The following members of our Church were present: Revs. Dr. Berlemann, Bromer, Bridenbaugh, Weber, Miller, DeLong, and Revs. Santee, Coblenz, and Stein.

It is with pleasure that we note the continued development of the spirit of harmony as well as earnestness to develop everything that pertains to mutual service. Coöperation in the fields of Home and Foreign Missions as well as Educational and Publication interest were reiterated.

The General Synod is requested to elect twelve members to represent our Church in the Council during the next three years.

We recommend that this request be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

We recommend that the Finance Committee be instructed to lay an apportionment of \$75 a year for the next three years for this Council.

3. ON ALLIANCE OF THE REFORMED CHURCHES HOLDING THE PRES- BYTERIAN SYSTEM. WESTERN (AMERICAN) SECTION

The Alliance held three meetings during the triennium; the last was held at Columbia, S. C., March 7, 1917. Representatives from all the churches to the number of forty-two were in attendance. All the reports revealed a hopeful spirit and indicated progress. Every discussion of rural or city work, home or foreign enterprise emphasized the importance of an accurate survey in order to have data upon which to take intelligent action. This survey is now being made in India and China.

EVANGELISM

This is one of the most notable and encouraging features in Christian activity in the foreign field at the present time. In Japan a three-year campaign has closed. In India a similar campaign is under way; in China a five-year campaign is in progress; in Corea and Africa the same Gospel message has been received with most cheering results.

EDUCATION

The rapid development of education in the Orient is one of the marvels of modern times. The enthusiasm along this line has led to a demand in India for compulsory education.

LITERATURE

The growth of educational and evangelistic enterprise implies a corresponding demand for literature; the supply, however, is not equal to the demand.

It is to be expected that this mighty movement should be met with opposition and yet in the midst of the world-wide war, missions have been affected but little. The Moslem world is awaking as never before. Former leaders are being discredited. The response to the cause for a Holy war was a complete failure. The Moslem world is more accessible and responsive today than ever before.

4. ON CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER

This report, signed by Drs. James I. Good and Geo. W. Richards, tells of the two meetings held by this conference, January, 1916, and January, 1917. The first of these meetings was attended by Dr. Good, the second by Dr. Richards. The first conference was attended by sixty-one delegates representing fourteen religious bodies. The conference was described by Bishop Anderson, as not Pan-Catholic, nor pan-Protestant, but pan-Christian.

The delegates were requested to prepare statements of the points which each Church held in common with all the churches; also of the distinctive characteristics of each Church. The ultimate reunion of all Christendom is the goal towards which this conference will work.

Your Committee recommends the continuation of the Committee representing General Synod in this Council.

5. ON CLOSER RELATIONS AND CHURCH UNION

The Committee representing General Synod on the Commissions on Closer Relations and Church Union reports that no meeting of this Committee was held during the last triennium.

We recommend that this Committee be continued during the coming triennium.

6. ON NATIONAL REFORM REQUEST

A request from the National Reform Association, asking General Synod to join this Association in petitioning the President of the United States to set apart a day of prayer upon which the people of this land may unitedly implore the God of nations for divine guidance, the overthrow of national evils, the speedy cessation of war and the establishment of a righteous and lasting peace.

We recommend that this item be referred to the Federal Council.

Finally, we recommend that all the items contained in this report having reference to pastors or congregations, be referred to them for favorable action, through their respective Classes.

Respectfully submitted,

AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT,	
I. N. PEIGHTEL,	E. A. SHULENBERGER,
CARL F. HEYL,	J. A. SWINEHART.

The following resolutions on personnel and membership, offered by Dr. C. E. Creitz on Saturday morning, were adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations and to the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches:

Whereas, The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America is a permanent organization whose influence in shaping the practical and coöperative activities of the Churches is becoming more and more potent and,

Whereas, The influence of a denomination in this body depends largely on the permanent character of the membership of its representatives, and,

Whereas, The Council of Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System is also a body in which our influence is largely in proportion to the more or less permanent character of the membership of our representatives, and

Whereas, The Federal Council meets every four years, while the Council of the Reformed Churches meets every three years, therefore,

Resolved: (1) That the term of membership of the representatives to the Federal Council be eight years, and that one-half of our representatives be elected for four years and one-half for eight years, and that hereafter one-half of our representatives be elected at the meeting of Synod, during whose life of three years, their term membership expires.

Resolved: (2) That the term of membership in the Council of the Reformed Churches be six years, and that one-half of our representatives be elected for a term of three years and one-half for a term of six years, and that hereafter one-half of our representatives be elected at each regular triennial meeting of Synod.

7. HOME MISSIONS

Eighteenth Triennial Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States, for the Three Years Preceding April 1, 1917

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: In presenting its eighteenth triennial report, the Board of Home Missions first of all desires to express its gratitude to God for His manifold blessings, for the leadership of His divine Spirit, and for the loyalty and coöperation of His people in the great task of recruiting His followers, of enlarging the place of His tent and of building His Kingdom into the life of our beloved nation.

The Board of Home Missions to whom this important trust is committed, is at present constituted as follows:

Term expires

Rev. C. E. Miller, D.D., LL.D.....	1920
Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D.....	1920
Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, D.D.....	1920
Rev. P. H. Dippell, D.D.....	1920
Elder C. M. Boush, Esq.....	1920
Elder F. C. Brunhouse, Esq.....	1920
Rev. C. B. Schneder, D.D.....	1917
Rev. E. R. Williard, D.D.....	1917
Rev. G. D. Elliker.....	1917
Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D.D.....	1917
Elder George W. Stein.....	1917
Elder P. H. Bridenbaugh.....	1917

Attention is hereby called to the fact that the terms of the six last named members expire with this meeting of the General Synod, and that provision for the election of their successors should be made.

REORGANIZATION

At the annual meeting in July following the General Synod of 1914, the Board reorganized as follows: president, Rev. C. E. Miller, D.D., LL.D.; vice president, Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D.; recording secretary, Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D.D.; treasurer, Elder J. S. Wise; attorney, Elder C. M. Boush, Esq.

The following constitute the Executive Committee: Rev. C. E. Miller, D. D., LL. D.; Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D. D.; Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D.; Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, D. D.; Elder F. C. Brunhouse, Esq. The Board held three stated meetings during the triennium, and the Executive Committee twelve regular and

two special meetings. At the initial meeting, with a view of advancing the cause and bringing the administration to the highest degree of efficiency, the Board reorganized its work by creating the following departments: General, Church-building, Immigration, of the West, and German. Later on the Department of the East was added. The creation of these departments necessitated the realignment of our executive force. To the General Secretary was assigned the general oversight of all the departments, and the specific supervision of such departments as are not manned by a departmental superintendent. To him also was committed the correspondence, the executive, the editorial and the educational work of the Board.

Elder Joseph S. Wise was appointed Superintendent of the Church-building Department in connection with his duties as treasurer of the Board.

Rev. Dr. David A. Souders was appointed Superintendent of Immigration; and Rev. John C. Horning, Superintendent of the Department of the West.

Superintendent A. C. Whitmer, who since 1886 served the Church as superintendent, first under the Board of Missions and later under the Board of Home Missions, asked to be relieved of the duties and responsibilities of his office after October 1, 1914. The Board reluctantly gave heed to his request, and as an expression of esteem unanimously elected him Superintendent Emeritus, and in recognition of his eminent service for a period of almost thirty years, adopted the following minute and spread the same upon its records:

“The Executive Committee of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States, hereby places on record its appreciation of the long and valuable services rendered to the cause of Home Missions by Superintendent A. C. Whitmer. For twenty-nine years he has given faithful, unselfish and unremitting toil to the Church in what is probably the most important branch of her work. He has been *facile princeps* in the field in which he has labored. Among other valuable services rendered by him we recall especially what he has accomplished in the founding and up-building of our Church-building Department. The Church-building Fund idea was his conception; and to the existence of these Funds, raised by him and through his inspiration, much of the success of our present work is due.

“The Executive Committee realizes that it is unfair as well as unkind to ask a man of his years to continue in an office which involves so much travel and labor as any one of our departmental superintendents does; it is nevertheless desirous to have him continue his relation to this Board, and it therefore now elects him as Superintendent Emeritus.”

The vacancy created by Superintendent Whitmer's retirement was filled in July, 1916, by the election of Rev. James M. Mullan, of Baltimore, Md., who entered upon the duties of his office on October 1, 1916. Rev. Mr. Mullan comes to this responsible position in the Church with a rich and ripe experience in Home Mission work. For sixteen years he labored as a faithful missionary under the Board, having started and served during this period St. Mark's Mission, Baltimore, Md., where many of the problems connected with modern city mission work were successfully wrought out by him. The task assigned to him is specifically stated in his call: "to assist the General Secretary in the work of superintendence, in the work of presenting the cause of Home Missions, in helping missions and missionaries in solving their problems, in the raising of funds for Home Missions, and in challenging the best young men as candidates for the ministry." His territory covers the Eastern Synod, the Synod of the Potomac and the Pittsburgh Synod, and his department is known as the Department of the East, corresponding to the Department of the West, in charge of Superintendent Horning, whose work is of a similar character.

DEPARTMENTS

I. General Department. To this department belongs the work of establishing new missions, fostering those already founded, supervising and supporting the missions and missionaries, promotion and publicity, general administration and such other phases as do not specifically come under the regularly constituted departments.

During the triennium the Board assisted in the support of 201 missionaries. These men on the frontier lines of our conquest for Christ in America are among the most faithful, heroic and self-sacrificing of the host of God. Many of them are struggling against tremendous odds. With the price of commodities excessively high, these workmen of the Church have found it difficult to support themselves and their families. The real sacrifices today are among our home missionaries. With the limited resources placed at the disposal of the Board by the Church at large, it has been impossible to relieve the economic pressure which weighs so heavily upon these men and which seriously interferes with the highest degree of their efficiency.

Four of their number have fought the good fight and have won their crown. Rev. Aaron Noll, missionary of our Second Church, Scranton, Pa., died suddenly in July, 1914. Rev. Cosmos H. Herbst, missionary at West Hazleton, Pa., died on New Year's day, 1915; Rev. C. E. Ewing, who served the Conesville, Iowa, Mission until it went to self-support in July, 1916, passed over a few months thereafter; and Rev. I. U. E. Kunkle, missionary at Sharpsville, Pa., departed this life in January, 1917. These names are starred in the memory of the Church, and their works do follow them.

The Board has 157 missions under its care. This number does not include the missions under the direct supervision of the Tri-synodic German Board. During the triennium twenty-four new missions were enrolled as follows:

Location	Present Missionary	Date of Enrollment
Torrington, Conn. (Hung.)	John Dezso	July 1914
Winston-Salem, N. C.	H. A. M. Holshouser	July 1914
Minersville, Pa.	O. R. Frantz	July 1914
Brunswick, Md.	W. B. Werner	July 1914
Fountain Hill, Bethlehem, Pa.	T. C. Brown	July 1914
Glassboro, N. J.	Vacant	July 1915
North Brewster, Ohio	J. H. Steele	July 1915
Columbus Junction, Ia.	Vacant	July 1915
St. Paul's, E. Allentown, Pa.	E. E. Sensenig	Aug. 1915
Heidelberg, Dayton, Ohio	C. G. Beaver	Sept. 1915
Trinity, Buffalo, N. Y.	E. G. Pfeiffer	Oct. 1915
*Salisbury, N. C.	C. C. Waggoner	Jan. 1916
Charlotte, N. C.	Shuford Peeler	Jan. 1916
*Penbrook, Pa.	W. R. Hartzell	Jan. 1916
Emanuel, Allentown, Pa.	J. P. Bachman	July 1916
Lowell, Canton, O.	O. P. Foust	July 1916
Trinity, Detroit, Mich.	F. W. Bald	July 1916
3d, Youngstown, Ohio	E. D. Wettach	July 1916
Jewish, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Wm. Diekmann	July 1916
Gary, Ind., Hung.	John Szegehy	Sept. 1916
*Toia, Kansas	Vacant	Jan. 1917
*Albemarle, N. C.	L. A. Peeler	Jan. 1917
St. Peter's, Lancaster, Pa.,	Vacant	April, 1917
Northampton, Pa., Hung.,	Vacant	April, 1917

* Reenrolled.

The following twelve missions went to self-support:

Name	Date
Whitewater, Kan.	July 1914
Punxsutawney, Pa.	July 1914
Dallastown, Pa.	July 1914
Scottdale, Pa.	July 1914
Calvary, Philadelphia	July 1915
St. Andrew's, Philadelphia	July 1915
Conesville, Ia.	July 1915
Salisbury, N. C.	July 1915
St. John's, Buffalo	July, 1915
Mt. Hermon, Philadelphia	July 1916
Messiah, Philadelphia	July 1916
St. Paul's, Youngstown, O.	Jan. 1917

The missions, not including those of the Trisynodic German Board, have a combined membership of 18,827; a Sunday school enrollment of 26,152. They had a net gain in their church membership during the triennium of 1753. For benevolence they contributed \$95,489; and for pastoral support \$166,449. They have an indebtedness upon their properties amounting to \$638,039, of which amount they owe the Board \$475,033.97. During the past three years they paid for interest \$13,996.93, and on the principal of their debts \$51,494.43. The total valuation of their properties

is \$1,900,000. There are 43 parsonages. The Board contributed for the support of these missions the sum of \$281,930.99. The Church at large contributed for this work the sum of \$316,656.94, independent of amounts received for Church-building Funds. While this is \$40,895.26 in excess of the amount of the previous triennium, it is not adequate to pay the appropriations to the missionaries and to carry the expense of the Board.

II. *Department of the East.* This department, in charge of Superintendent James M. Mullan, comprises 82 mission congregations in the three Synods, most of which are located in new and rapidly developing sections and suburbs of cities and larger towns. While the purpose of these missions is to conserve the membership of the Reformed Church in the places in which they are established, they are at the same time rendering valuable service in their respective communities, and in several instances their work partakes of the character of genuine community service. It is quite as important to hold what we have as it is to gain new territory. The conservative East is rich and ripe territory for the Reformed Church. Here the denomination is strong, both numerically and influentially. Two-thirds of our membership live in this section. Here the Reformed Church has a distinct mission and an unprecedented opportunity for definite, aggressive work, which must not be neglected. In this territory also are found many rural congregations, which present a problem and make a claim as well as a contribution of their own. From these congregations in city and country a large proportion of the funds to finance the missionary work of the Church must continue to come. Likewise from the same quarter must come many of the young men who will enter the ranks of the ministry to serve as the future leaders of our denomination. The strong, influential congregations of today were the missions of yesterday, and the congregations that will come to leadership tomorrow are the missions of today. The perpetuation of the Church's influence and power is therefore wrapt up in its Home Mission enterprise.

This department covers also the promising and expanding work in the Southland. There is a new South emerging out of the disintegration of the old South, and this new development holds in store large things for the Reformed Church. North Carolina was one of our earliest mission fields and it in turn gave the first home missionary to Ohio as well as the pioneer preacher beyond the Mississippi river. The East and the South make a strong claim upon the Church for an adequate support of the missionary work within the territory covered by this department.

III. *Department of the West.* This department, in charge of Superintendent John C. Horning, comprises 47 mission congregations in the territory occupying the Ohio Synod and the Synod of the Interior. It covers two-thirds of our geographical area, stretching from the western boundary of Pennsylvania to the Pacific coast. While the region covered by the Ohio Synod is

familiar territory to the Reformed Church, the vast stretch of country beyond the Mississippi river in a large degree still constitutes virgin soil for our Church, and much land remains to be possessed. The West, with its democratic spirit and its potential power, will undoubtedly come to wield a gigantic influence in molding the national policies and the religious life of this great nation. The question presses with peculiar force whether or not the Reformed Church shall have a worthy part in shaping and directing this controlling power in the nation. A new opportunity seems to have come to the Reformed Church to impress her life and spirit upon these new and rapidly developing communities. But if we are to cope adequately with these newer opportunities we must plan to enter the field with a far larger force of men and prepare to invest a sum of money that is more nearly commensurate with the needs than we have done in the past. The vastness of the geographical area, the immensity of the task of christianizing its throbbing and tumultuous life, demand an investment of men and money on a corresponding scale.

The Board has not been unmindful of these requirements, and has taken initial steps to meet at least in part, some of them. Under the leadership of Superintendent Horning, and others associated with him, during the last eighteen months Church Efficiency Conferences have been held within the bounds of the Synod of the Interior, to awaken and stimulate a missionary spirit in its congregations and to raise a definite sum of money with which to assist the missions in liquidating their indebtedness and to foster in them a consciousness of their own strength and mission in their respective communities. The Progressive Project, as this movement is named, will be discussed in another part of this report, but it is proper to state that approximately \$40,000 have already been subscribed for this purpose by a constituency representing only four thousand people.

IV. *Department of Immigration.* This department, in charge of Superintendent Rev. Dr. D. A. Souders, comprises the work among foreign-speaking peoples in this country. The subject of immigration, it is needless to say, presses with peculiar force at this time. While European conditions within recent years have greatly reduced the number of immigrants, the problems pertaining to those who are among us have been accentuated. The Reformed Church has a distinct mission to certain foreign nationalities in this country. There are nationalities among us which may be legitimately regarded as beyond our responsibility, but there are others who are our peculiar ward and trust. The immigrant zone is the territory east of Chicago and north of the Mason and Dixon line. This is likewise the industrial zone in our country. It is here where the strength of the Reformed Church is centered and it is here where we must discharge our responsibility in behalf of these people who live in our very midst.

a. *The Harbor Mission.* Rev. Dr. Paul H. Land continues as our Harbor missionary on Ellis Island, New York City. He proves

himself of valuable service to newly arrived immigrants and to such as may be temporarily detained on the Island. In order to keep the Church informed of this work and the needs incident thereto, he is publishing "*Der Einwanderer's Freund*," which is widely circulating among our people, especially in our German congregations.

During the past year the Board appointed the Rev. J. Mori, our Japanese missionary in San Francisco, as a Harbor missionary at Angel Island on the Pacific coast. In this way the Reformed Church ministers to immigrants at both the eastern and the western harbors.

b. *Hungarian work*.—Starting mission work in behalf of the Hungarians in this country in 1890, the Board has been carrying forward this work ever since. We have sixteen Hungarian missions on our roll with a membership of 2400, besides twice as many adherents. During the triennium the Board enrolled Hungarian congregations at Uniontown, Pa., and Gary, Ind., and opened preaching points at Torrington and New Haven, Conn. The First Reformed Church at Northampton was organized on Easter Monday, 1917.

Through the coöperation of the Woman's Missionary Society of the General Synod, and of the Ohio and Pittsburgh Synods, the following Hungarian deaconesses have been employed: Mrs. Helen Hetey, Zelienople, Pa.; Mrs. Elizabeth Basso, Indiana Harbor and Whiting, Ind.; Mrs. Ida Harsanyi, Toledo, Ohio and vicinity; Miss Irma Gaal, Northampton, Pa. and vicinity. These deaconesses have been rendering valuable services in visiting the homes of people of their own nationality, in caring for the children of Hungarian families, in conducting Vacation Bible Schools, and in ministering to their countrymen in religious matters when no pastor was available.

The Daily Vacation Bible Schools are conducted during the summer months in most of our Hungarian churches. They are largely attended by Hungarian children, and are intended to teach the fundamental truths of our religion, thus qualifying these people in due time to take their places as American citizens.

While a large number of Hungarians have returned to their native land since the outbreak of the European war, an ever increasing number have applied for naturalization papers.

The Board has also been supporting a number of Hungarian young men who are preparing for the work of the ministry. The problem of an adequate ministry among these people is a serious one, and the future success of the work will in large measure depend upon an adequate and devoted ministry.

Two religious papers are published for the Hungarians. One is the "*Reformatusok Lapja*," a weekly publication which is published jointly by the Presbyterian and the Reformed Publication and Sunday-school Boards. Recently Rev. Alex. Harsanyi, Ph. D.,

the missionary of our Hungarian church at Homestead, Pa., was appointed editor. The other paper is the "Bibliai Tanito" or Bible Teacher, a monthly publication intended for religious instruction.

Many Hungarians and other foreign-speaking people are doubtless living in communities in close proximity to our American churches. Great good can be accomplished if pastors of our English and German churches will manifest an interest in behalf of these people and encourage them to avail themselves of the religious privileges afforded in our established places of worship. In many instances they are longing for such an approach; and if a real welcome awaits them they will in due time identify themselves with our churches and their children will attend our Sunday schools and catechetical classes and come to take their places among our church members.

c. *Bohemian work*.—There are two Bohemian missions under the care of the Board, one at Chicago, Ill., in charge of the Rev. James Dudycha, and the other at Cedar Rapids, Ia., in charge of the Rev. Matthew Spinka. The membership of these missions is small. The Bohemian Mission in Cleveland, Ohio, which was started by the Board in 1896, has been temporarily closed. Steps, however, are under way to revive this work, either on the old site or in a new and more favorable location. The work among these people at best is very slow and is attended by many difficulties. The tremendous opposition to organized Christianity engendered by the Free Thinking Societies, abounding among these people, must in some manner be counteracted if they are to be won to the Church of Jesus Christ.

d. *Japanese work*.—This work in San Francisco, so auspiciously started in 1910, continues to go forward under the leadership of the Rev. J. Mori. Housed in a splendid equipment, the mission is extending its usefulness in many directions and is touching the lives of a large number of Japanese along the Pacific coast. Within the past year the Rev. Mr. Mori has made repeated trips to Los Angeles and other points in California and has sought to minister to his fellow countrymen in these places. The work in San Francisco partakes more or less of an institutional character. While the evangelistic nature of the mission is continually emphasized in the stated preaching services as well as in the occasional street meetings, there is also carried forward an extensive educational work. Miss Carrie M. Kershner became a teacher in English in this mission in September, 1914, and is rendering very valuable service. The Board also appointed Mrs. E. A. Cannon as kindergarten teacher. These workers are instrumental in touching and molding the lives of many Japanese. The congregation, known as the First Reformed Japanese Church of San Francisco, has been duly organized with a membership of eighty-nine. The number of accessions by baptism and confirmation during the past year was fifteen. The number attending the Daily Bible School is forty, and

there are twenty-one in the kindergarten. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod has been liberally aiding in the support of this Japanese mission.

e. *Italian work*.—During a part of the past triennium the Board of Home Missions gave support to work among the Italians which was carried forward in connection with our Messiah mission in Philadelphia, under the direction of the Rev. E. J. LaRose. An Italian worker had been engaged for part of the time and was successful in gathering a number of Italians into the Sunday-school and also to a religious meeting which was conducted once a week. The work, however, has recently been discontinued.

The efforts in behalf of Italian work in Cleveland, under the auspices of the Eighth Reformed Church, although never aided by the Board, have likewise been temporarily abandoned, due mainly to the removal of the Italians into another section of the city.

f. *Colored work*.—In obedience to the instructions of the General Synod, the Board has been aiding in the support of certain phases of work among the colored people in the South. The Council of Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System some years ago created a Permanent Committee on Colored Work, constituted of representatives from the constituent bodies of the Council. The members representing the Reformed Church on this Permanent Committee are Dr. Charles E. Schaeffer, Dr. C. F. Kriete, and Dr. J. C. Leonard. The Board has given assistance to the work for colored people at Louisville, Ky., to the amount of \$1200. This work is under the leadership of Dr. John Little. It is carried forward in two buildings in different parts of the city where the colored people are segregated. Dr. Little associates with himself in this work some of the representative people of the Presbyterian and Reformed churches in the city. Much of the work partakes of an institutional character, although in one of the missions indicated an ordained minister is in charge. Recently a local campaign was conducted in Louisville, which resulted in securing approximately \$60,000 for this work. This sum is intended to provide for the debt resting upon the plants which house the two missions and also supply in part the budget for the coming five years.

At Bowling Green, Ky., there is an academy for colored boys and girls, in connection with a school of Theology for training colored young men for the ministry. This theological department is in charge of the Rev. William Wolfe, a colored minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. This institution has been in a precarious condition for some time owing to lack of sufficient funds. During the triennium the Board helped to the amount of \$1125.

g. *Jewish work*.—In response to repeated requests and in pursuance of specific instructions from the General Synod, the Board at its annual meeting in July, 1916, signified its readiness to take charge of a Jewish mission in Brooklyn, N. Y. This work had

previously been fostered by some of our German brethren in New York city. The fact that there are three million Jews in America, one-half of whom live in Greater New York, and 98% of whom have no knowledge of the New Testament, is a sufficient challenge for our Church to engage actively in this work. The fact that some of our German ministers in Brooklyn were already interested in this work gave the Board a point of contact. It appropriated \$3000 for the first year towards its support. The mission is housed in a three-story building at 243 Wallabout Street, Brooklyn, and is in charge of the Rev. W. Walenta, pastor of the German Emanuel Church, as superintendent, and of the Rev. William Diekmann, as missionary and field worker. Regular preaching services are held every Wednesday and Friday evenings, and also on Saturday afternoon and evening. The immediate results of the work must necessarily be slow, inasmuch as it is intensely difficult to reach these people and to make an appreciable impression upon them. So far as our information goes, there is no regularly organized Christian church among the Jews in the world. It is hoped that our efforts in behalf of these people may result in such an organization. While the work in this mission is entirely under the jurisdiction of the Reformed Church, the missionary has gone into other denominational bodies and has secured tangible expressions of their interest and coöperation. "The Friend of Israel" is a monthly publication in both English and German which serves to impart needed information, to enlist friends for the cause and to secure their support in its behalf.

V. German Department. Prior to this triennium, the Home Mission work within the German Synods of the Church was carried forward by their own Home Mission boards, and repeated efforts were made to bring the Home Mission work of the entire denomination under the care and direction of the General Synod's Board of Home Missions. In July, 1914, a conference of the General Synod's Board and of the Board of Home Missions of the Northwest and Central Synods, the Church Election Board of these two Synods, and representatives of the Board of the German Synod of the East, was held at Tiffin, Ohio, with a view of further considering the advisability of uniting the whole Home Mission work under General Synod's Board. After a frank and free discussion of the question, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted and were ordered to be submitted to the German Synods:

"When General Synod was organized in 1863, it created a Board of Home Missions. It was undoubtedly the purpose to unify the work of Home Missions as far as practicable, but at that time conditions were unfavorable. At various meetings of the General Synod since that time, action has been taken recommending the unification of its Home Mission work throughout the Church, which would be the normal condition.

"Those who are familiar with the development of the Church know that she has gradually approached this normal condition in

the last twenty-five years. After the English Synods gradually unified their Home Mission work, by placing all their missions under General Synod's Board, the German Synod of the East seems to be ready also to place its missions under General Synod's Board. The Board of the Synod of the Northwest and Central Synod remains the only one carrying on its Home Mission work independently.

"In view of the general tendency towards unification, a conference was held between General Synod's Board of Home Missions and the Home Mission Board of the Synod of the Northwest and Central Synod and also the Church Election Board of these Synods to consider the advisability of working gradually towards the final unification of the whole Home Mission work of the Church under General Synod's Board, provided that the interests of the German work be fully safeguarded.

"The facts above mentioned are respectfully submitted to the earnest and prayerful consideration of the Synod of the Northwest and the Central Synod, with the request that they give their official expression relative to this matter.

"*Resolved*, That General Secretary Dr. Charles E. Schaeffer be instructed to communicate this action to the two Synods concerned."

The Central and Northwest Synods fully considered the proposition; but while expressing themselves as favorable to the general intent and purpose of the same, they declared that they believed their constituency was not ready for this step, and therefore could not at present enter into the arrangement. (See Minutes Northwest Synod, 1914, page 109; Minutes Central Synod, 1914, pages 103, 104.) As an expression of the spirit of good-will and confidence in this work, it was agreed at the conference in Tiffin, that the two Boards coöperate in missionary work along the Pacific coast. Such a plan of coöperation is now being wrought out, but has not yet been put into operation. It was also agreed that the General Secretaries should be invited to attend the annual meetings of each Board respectively with a view of becoming mutually acquainted with each other's work and of helping each other as far as practicable.

The German Synod of the East, however, took action favoring the proposition, with the provision that the Board of said Synod should be retained as advisory to the General Synod's Board. In accordance with this action the Board of the German Synod of the East, in October, 1914, transferred the following eight missions to the General Synod's Board:

Missions	Missionaries	Members
Emanuel's, Glad Run, Warren, Pa.	Rev. Carl H. Gundlach	117
St. John's, Buffalo, N. Y.	Rev. George L. Heck	218
Karmel, Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. W. G. Weiss	180
Ridgewood, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Rev. M. J. H. Walenta	188
Bethany, Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. G. A. Haaack	127
Richmond Hill, Brooklyn, N. Y.	Rev. Paul H. Land	46
Bethel, Baltimore, Md.	Rev. W. R. Streitelmeir	60
Hope, Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. E. H. Wessler	53

On August 25, 1915, the Board of Church Erection of the same Synod passed over into the hands of the General Synod's Board the following mortgages, notes and cash aggregating \$4805:

Cash.....	\$330
A blanket assignment and transfer of documents as follows:	
1. Mortgage on Emanuel Reformed Church of Warren, Pa.....	\$800
2. Promissory note of said congregation of \$500 on which \$100 has been paid.....	400
3. Two notes—\$500 each, Karmel Reformed Church, Philadelphia.....	1000
4. Note of \$500, Frieden's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md., paid on account \$25.....	475
5. Note, Bethel Reformed Church, Baltimore.....	300
6. Note, officers of New York Classis.....	500
7. Note, Bethel Reformed Church, Baltimore.....	700
8. Note, Bethel Reformed Church, Baltimore.....	300
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It will be of interest to note that during the triennium the General Synod's Board has invested in the missions within the bounds of the German Synod of the East, the sum of \$11,421.73.

The General Synod's Board has for a number of years been making contributions to the German work on the basis of one dollar out of every fifteen of its receipts in the general fund. During the triennium it has paid towards the German work in the Central, the Northwest and the Southwest Synods the sum of \$12,369.13. It has thus expended for German work the total sum of \$23,790.86, as over against \$18,101.85 during the preceding triennium.

The Board of Home Missions of the Northwest, the Central and the Southwest Synods and the Board of Church Erection of these Synods, of which the Rev. J. Friedli is the General Secretary, have submitted the following statement which we incorporate as a part of our report to the General Synod.

"The extent and condition of the work of Home Missions under the care of the Trisynodic Board during the past triennium is briefly as follows:

"THE SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST

"This is the most extensive, as well as the most promising territory for our missionary efforts among Germans. Within its boundaries are many thousands of German speaking people. It is the opinion of some that after the close of the present war immigration, especially from Russia, will largely increase. Within the bounds of this Synod we have 42 missions. The work is, in most cases, of a pioneer nature. It moves along nicely and the future appears promising. The unfortunate European war has made itself felt in our work in Canada; not so much in the rural districts as in cities like Winnipeg, Edmonton and Calgary. Not a few members have lost their positions and, in order to gain a liveli-

hood, have removed. Immigration naturally ceased. Thus the congregations were numerically and financially weakened. The work, however, is not crippled, only the progress is impeded for the time being.

"CENTRAL SYNOD

"This comprises the smallest territory and the prospects seem the least promising for exclusively German work. The immigration is small and the present German population is in a state of transition from German to English. Hence, the eight missions within the bounds of this Synod, all of which are in cities, are bilingual. Similar conditions, as regards language, are found in

"THE SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST

"This territory, however, is larger. Had we the necessary means, missions could doubtless be established in some of the southern states. In this Synod we have thirteen missions. The most promising fields at present are Indianapolis, Ind., and Louisville, Ky.

"The work conducted under the supervision of this Board is, with few exceptions, in a prosperous condition. The field grows larger. Sheboygan Classis transferred its mission among the Indians at Black River Falls, Wis., to this Board. It is the only Indian Mission the Reformed Church has. It certainly deserves the moral, financial and prayerful support of our entire Church. Several classical missionaries have been appointed. The Board feels the imperative need of commissioning a missionary at large to look after the interests of the Reformed Church on the Pacific coast. A failure to do so in the near future means an irreparable loss to our Reformed Zion. Lack of means—for we are struggling with an annually increasing deficit—prevents an aggressive and increasing operation in this line of church work, the most productive of large results to the entire Church.

"The financial assistance of the English portion of our Church in carrying on missionary work among Germans is herewith most gratefully acknowledged. It is sorely needed. A continuance of the support will be greatly appreciated by these Synods and their Board of Home Missions."

VI. *Church-building Department.* This department, in charge of Superintendent J. S. Wise, the treasurer of the Board, includes some of the most vital features of the Board's work. The selection of a proper location for the mission, the erection of an adequate equipment in harmony with the needs and environment of the mission, adapted and arranged for modern, efficient church work, and not entailing too heavy a burden upon the mission, are all matters of paramount importance. A new mission is seriously handicapped without a suitable building. Generally it possesses neither money nor credit, and the Board has to furnish one or both. Many of our older missions find themselves at a point where the

original building is found inadequate for their present work, and yet they have not attained sufficient strength, either numerically or financially, to enable them to provide new buildings. If proper equipment were provided, or if heavy debts incurred by the erection of such buildings were removed, many of the missions would almost immediately go to self-support. Going to self-support, or coming into possession of an adequate equipment, has a psychological value for a mission. It gives it a new consciousness of strength and purpose. The Board for some time has been seriously dealing with this problem and has committed itself to a policy that looks definitely towards a better housing of its missions and relieving them of some of their indebtedness. In every instance, however, the mission or missions thus aided must enter into some coöperative arrangement with the Board, calling forth the best efforts of the missions themselves. With this idea in mind two outstanding programs or projects have been launched during the last triennium.

a. *The Philadelphia Program.*—This originated from a proposition submitted to the Board by the Executive Committee of Missions of Philadelphia Classis, contemplating that the said Executive Committee of Missions, the Philadelphia Classis, the missions in the Classis, and the Board of Home Missions should enter into a coöperative arrangement whereby within a period of five years the aggregate sum of \$125,000 should be raised and applied to these missions. The program stipulated that annually one of the missions in the Classis under the care of the Board, should be helped with a substantial outright gift intended either to relieve the mission of its debt or to provide the same with an adequate equipment. A further provision was that the mission thus helped should immediately thereafter go to self-support, thus relieving the Board of its annual appropriation in the form of pastoral support. In this way the Board in due time will reimburse itself for the money thus applied, and the missions will attain self-support and an equipment at an early date. The plan also contemplated the organization and housing of a new mission in West Philadelphia. The program has now been in operation for two and one-half years, and the following missions have already profited thereby: St. Andrew's, Messiah, Calvary, Mt. Hermon, Palatinate and Olivet. The new mission in West Philadelphia was started, and subsequently taken over by the First Reformed Church which located its own work there. Hope Mission, Philadelphia, which came to the Board from the Board of Home Missions of the German Synod of the East, after this program had been launched, is also working on a plan that possesses similar features, and as soon as this mission shall have come into possession of its completed building, it also will go to self-support.

b. *The Progressive Project.*—The missions in the Synod of the Interior have an indebtedness of approximately \$110,000. For a long time this fact has been regarded as a serious drawback to the

progress of the missions in this territory. Consequently an arrangement, endorsed by the Synod of the Interior, in behalf of its missions, has been entered upon with the Board, which contemplates a great forward movement in every department of church activity, also the liquidation of the debts on the missions in this Synod within a period of five years. Of the \$110,000 the Board is to provide \$70,000, and the Synod, through its missions and self-supporting congregations \$40,000. Through the energetic activities of Superintendent John C. Horning, supported by the pastors and people of the Synod, almost the full amount of the Synod's allotted portion has already been definitely pledged, and a proportionate sum thereof paid in cash. It should be stated that the missions owe a large part of the amount of their indebtedness to the Board of Home Missions, and when this sum thus invested is released, the Board will be enabled to render very needed service to missions elsewhere in the Church. Superintendent Wise is challenging one hundred representative congregations throughout the Church each to contribute a gift Church-building Fund of \$500 for the purpose of raising the Board's portion of this amount. The Board has also decided that the Home Mission Day offerings for a series of years shall be applied to this purpose.

When these two programs, one in Philadelphia and the other in the Synod of the Interior, shall have been successfully carried out, thus justifying the policy of the Board, they may lead the way for the adoption of similar plans in other sections of the Church where missions stand in immediate need of such assistance.

During the triennium the Board assisted the following missions either in the purchase of ground or the erection of buildings, or both:

St. Paul's, E. Allentown, Pa.	St. James, Allentown, Pa.
First, Charlotte, N. C.	St. Luke's, Baltimore, Md.
Grace, Detroit, Mich.	Bethlehem, Pa.
First, Gary, Ind.	St. Paul's, Derry, Pa.
Palatinate, Philadelphia	Trinity, Detroit, Mich.
Schlatter Mem., Winston-Salem, N. C.	Hungarian, East Chicago, Ind.
Grace, Buffalo, N. Y.	Third, Greensburg, Pa.
Grace, Chicago, Ill.	Emanuel, Jenners, Pa.
Olivet, Philadelphia	Calvary, Lima, O.
Calvary, Philadelphia	First, Piteairn, Pa.
Mt. Hermon, Philadelphia	State College, Pa.
Second, Scranton, Pa.	Christ, Temple, Pa.
Springfield, Ohio	Bethany, Terre Haute, Ind.
Hungarian, Akron, O.	Memorial, York, Pa.
Williard, Akron, O.	Biglerville, Pa.

The following were aided with special gifts:

Ascension, Allegheny, Pa.	St. Paul's, Kansas City, Mo.
St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md.	Christ, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Bethany, Butler, Pa.	Messiah, Philadelphia
Wilson Ave., Columbus, Ohio	

It invested \$207,656.51, of which \$151,422.49 was in the form of loans, and \$56,234.02 as gifts.

The Board is using two kinds of Church-building Funds. First is the Loan Fund. This consists of money given by the Church to the Board and by it loaned to the missions at a nominal interest, secured either by first mortgage or other approved security. This money must in due time be paid back to the Board by the mission or missions, and then again loaned to others as the need may arise. In this way the amount of the Fund will always be preserved and will render continuous service.

The other is the Gift Fund. In its growing and expanding work the Board has found it necessary to assist some of its missions with outright gifts. The money thus applied comes to the Board as Gift Church-building Funds. Generally the donor of the Fund so specifies its use. This money the mission does not pay back, except in spiritual values. It goes into the work and is returned in the form of the larger growth and development of the mission and in terms of life and Christian character.

CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS

The following Church-building Funds were received during the triennium:

(Numbering is continued from the list given three years ago.)

416. The Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fauser Memorial Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Samuel Fauser, Bucyrus, Ohio, a member of Whetstone Reformed Congregation. (Woman's Missionary Society General Synod No. 30). Given to the First Japanese Reformed Church, San Francisco, Cal.

417. The David R. and Anna M. Earlenbaugh Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Elder D. R. Earlenbaugh, of Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa. Invested in Trinity Reformed Church, Williamsburg, Pa.

418. The William H. Snyder Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Sarah B. Snyder in memory of her late husband, an elder in Trinity Reformed Church, Waynesboro, Pa. Invested in Trinity Reformed Church, Williamsburg, Pa.

419. The Bethany Reformed Church of Ephrata, Pa. Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by two members of the congregation. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

420. The Grace Reformed Church of Philadelphia, Pa. Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the congregation. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

421. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 31 of \$500. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

422. The Rev. Henri L. G. Kieffer Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by his congregation, the Evangelical Reformed Church of Frederick, Md. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church of Wyomissing, Pa.

423. The St. Joseph Classical Missionary Society Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 32.) Invested in the Hungarian Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

424. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 33 of \$500. Invested in the Third Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa.

425. The Westmoreland Classical Woman's Memorial Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 34.) Invested in Third Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa.

426. The Rebecca Hamilton Shively Special Church-building Fund of the Mercersburg Classical Missionary Society of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 35.) Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church of York, Pa.

427. The Zion's Reformed Church of Greenville, Pa. Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Zion's congregation as a gift to the Dewey Ave. Reformed Church, Rochester, N. Y.

428. Church-building Fund of \$500. (Name not to be published.) Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church of York, Pa.

429. The Mifflinburg Sunday School Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same of Mifflinburg, Pa. Invested in the Hungarian Reformed Church of Akron, Ohio.

430. The Woman's Missionary Society of Tiffin Classis, Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 36.) Invested in the Hungarian Reformed Church of Akron, Ohio.

431. The Woman's Missionary Society of Eastern Ohio Classis, Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 37.) Invested in Williard Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

432. The Woman's Missionary Society of Miami Classis, Ohio Synod, Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 38.) Invested in Williard Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

433. The Woman's Missionary Society of Tuscarawas Classis, Ohio Synod Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 39.) Invested in Williard Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

434. The Woman's Missionary Society of Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 40.) Invested in Williard Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

435. The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 41 of \$500. Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church of York, Pa.

436. The Rev. J. Hamilton Smith Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Trinity Reformed Church of Pottstown, Pa. Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church of York, Pa.

437. The Rev. Samuel G. Wagner, D. D., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by St. John's Reformed Sunday School of Allentown, Pa., No. 1. Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church, York, Pa.

438. The St. John's Reformed Church of Schuylkill Haven, Pa. Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, York, Pa.

439. The Woman's Missionary Society of Somerset Classis, Special Church-building Fund of \$500. (Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod No. 42). Invested in Emanuel Reformed Church of Jenners, Pa.

440. The Mary A. Selsam Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by her husband, John T. Selsam, of Second Reformed Church, Harrisburg, Pa., in her memory. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

441. The Home Mission Day 1913 Gift Church-building Fund of \$833.97, net balance of undesignated Home Mission Day receipts. Gift to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

442. The Emile and Rose Chenot Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Rose Chenot, of Louisville, Ohio. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

443. The Michael and Margaret Beamer Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Michael Beamer, late of North Huntingdon township, Westmoreland Co., Pa. Invested in Third Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa.

444. The Daniel Miller Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Daniel Miller, of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

445. The Wilson Ave. Sunday School of Columbus, Ohio, Jubilee Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same. This Fund was applied to their debt to the Board of Home Missions.

446. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 43 of \$500. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

447. The Lawson and Mary Hughes Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mary Hughes of Mill Grove, Pa. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

448. The Melville E. Doll and Hannah M. Doll Church-building Fund of \$1000. Bequest of Melville E. Doll, of the Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick, Md. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

449. The Rev. Clement Z. and Louisa C. Weiser Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Louisa Caroline Weiser, of East Greenville, Pa. Invested in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, York, Pa.

450. The Rev. Clement Z. and Louisa C. Weiser Church-building Fund No. 2, of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Louisa Caroline Weiser, of East Greenville, Pa. Invested in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, York, Pa.

451. The Mrs. Sallie Weiss Church-building Fund in Memory of her daughter Annie, Athol, Pa., of \$500. Contributed through St. Paul's congregation at Amityville, Pa. Invested in J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

452. The Frederick and Mrs. Paulina Isely Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Frederick Isely of Fairview, Kan. Given to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod for the use of First Reformed Church, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

453. The Ezra Houck Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Georgianna Houck Simmons, his daughter, late of Frederick, Md. Invested in the J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

454. The Catharine Bentz Houck Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by her daughter, Mrs. Georgianna Houck Simmons, late of Frederick, Md. Invested in J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

455. The Catherine E. Rhoads Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Catharine E. Rhoads, late of Amityville, Pa. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

456. The Emanuel Reformed Church of Hanover, Pa., Ninth Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Missionary Society of the congregation. Invested in Trinity Reformed Church, Biglerville, Pa.

457. The St. John's Reformed Church of Johnstown, Pa. Gift Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$500. Contributed by St. John's congregation and applied to the debt of St. Paul's, Johnstown, to the Board of Home Missions.

458. The Louisa F. Wirt Gift Church-building Fund of \$1000. Bequest of Louisa F. Wirt, Hanover, Pa. Given to Mt. Hermon Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

459. The Second Reformed Church of Greensburg, Pa., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Second Church. Invested in Third Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa.

460. The Second Reformed Sunday School of Greensburg, Pa., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Second Reformed Sunday School. Invested in Third Reformed Church, Greensburg, Pa.

461. The Trinity Reformed Church of Centre Hall, Pa., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Trinity Reformed Church of the Centre Hall Charge. Invested in the J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

462. The Emanuel Pontius Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Emanuel Pontius, St. John's Reformed Church of Mifflinburg, Pa. Invested in First Hungarian Reformed Church, Homestead, Pa.

463. The Rev. Edwin O. Marks Gift Church-building Fund of \$900. Contributed by St. Paul's Reformed Church of Johnstown, Pa. Applied to the debt of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Johnstown, Pa., to the Board of Home Missions.

464. The First Reformed Church of McKeesport, Pa., Gift Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$500. Contributed by same and applied to its debt to the Board of Home Missions.

465. The Reuben B. Will Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Miss Sallie E. Will, New Market, Va. Invested in First Hungarian Reformed Church, Homestead, Pa.

466. The Trinity-First Reformed Sunday School of York, Pa., Churchbuilding Fund of \$500. Contributed by same. Invested in J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

467. The Philip Williard Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Elder Philip Williard, Trappe, Pa. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

468. The Mary C. Heilman Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Mary C. Heilman, member of St. Mark's Reformed Church,

Reading, Pa. Invested in Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.

469. The First Reformed Church of Lisbon, Ohio, Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Sunday School of First Reformed Church, Lisbon, Ohio, and applied to debt of the congregation to the Board of Home Missions.

470. The William J. and Mary J. Adams Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by their son, Rev. John K. Adams, Anselma, Pa., as a monument to their memory. Invested in Christ Memorial Reformed Church, West Hazleton, Pa.

471. The St. Paul's Reformed Church of Juniata, Pa., Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same and applied to its debt to the Board of Home Missions.

472. The Rev. Charles A. and Jennie Moore Huyette Gift Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$500. Contributed by Trinity Reformed Church of Williamsburg, Pa., in honor of their former pastor and his wife, in appreciation of the work done by them. Applied to its debt to the Board of Home Missions.

473. The Geo. Albert Snyder Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Sunday School of Christ Reformed Church, Middletown, Md. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Chicago, Ill.

474. The Harry J. Oswandel Gift Church-building Fund of \$1000. Contributed by Harry J. Oswandel, Oskaloosa, Ia. Given to First Reformed Church, Oskaloosa, Ia.

475. The Trinity Reformed Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Trinity Reformed Church of Palmyra, Pa. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Buffalo, N. Y.

476. The First Reformed Church of Easton, Pa., Church building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same. Invested in St. James Reformed Church, Allentown, Pa.

477. The Anna Margaret Lady Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Rev. David B. Lady, D. D., Yukon, Pa., in loving memory of his deceased mother. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

478. The Lone Tree Reformed Church of Lone Tree, Ia., Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Lone Tree congregation to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod for the use of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Omaha, Neb.

479. The Noah Bower Church-building Fund of \$1000. Bequest of Noah Bower, Thornville, Ohio. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

480. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 44 of \$500. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

481. The George and Anna Doll Church-building of \$500. Contributed in loving memory by their children—Misses Matilda, Josephine and Clara Doll, through the First Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Invested in Palatinate Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

482. The Margaret E. Thomas Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by her sister, Miss S. Rebecca Thomas, of Baltimore, Md., in loving memory. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

483. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 45 of \$500. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

484. St. Peter's Reformed Church of Pine Hall, Pa. Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by St. Peter's Reformed Church of the Boalsburg charge. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

485. The Louisville Reformed Church of Louisville, Ohio, Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by same. Invested in Grace Reformed Church, Detroit, Mich.

486. The Henry Lady Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed in loving memory of his father by the Rev. David B. Lady, D. D., of Yukon, Pa. Invested in the Reformed Church of Yukon, Pa.

487. The David G. Minter Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Magdalena Minter, Arendtsville, Pa., in memory of her deceased husband. Invested in Trinity Reformed Church, Bigler-ville, Pa.

488. The Rebecca Brumbaugh Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Rebecca Brumbaugh, Greencastle, Pa., who was a member of St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Upton, Pa. Invested in the First Japanese Reformed Church, San Francisco, Cal.

489. The General Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$789.10. Gift Fund made up as follows: Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C., \$30.45; Wm. H. Hetzel, Xenia, Ohio, in memory of his wife, \$50; Miscellaneous, \$4.54; and the following bequests: Adelaide Dechant, Norristown, Pa., \$100; Geo. Lisberger, Perkasio, Pa., \$165; Sarah A. Rauch, Lebanon, Pa., \$285, and that of Sarah Jane Mum-bauer, \$154.11. Given to Mt. Hermon Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

490. The Dr. John Weimer Gift Church-building Fund of \$565. Contributed by the Reformed Churches of Tuscarawas Classis as a Gift to the Willard Reformed Church of Akron, Ohio.

491. The Pittsburgh Synod Congregational Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the congregations of Pittsburgh Synod as a Gift to Trinity Reformed Church, Scottdale, Pa.

492. The Westmoreland Classis Congregational Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the congregations of Westmoreland Classis as a Gift to Trinity Reformed Church, Scottdale, Pa.

493. The Anna and Barbara Leighty and Margaret and Sarah Felgar Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by them, all residing in Ruffsedale, Pa. Given to Trinity Reformed Church, Scottdale, Pa.

494. The Harrison and Catharine Kalbach Gift Church-building Fund of \$10,000. Contributed by Harrison Kalbach, late of Lebanon, Pa. Given to St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa.

495. The Miller Ave. Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio, Gift Church-building Fund No. 3 of \$500. Contributed by the congregation and applied to its debt to the Board of Home Missions.

496. The Miller Ave. Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio, Gift Church-building Fund No. 4 of \$500. Contributed by the congregation and applied to its debt to the Board of Home Missions.

497. The North Carolina Classis Gift Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$500. Contributed by North Carolina Classis. Given to Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.

498. The North Carolina Classis Gift Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$500. Contributed by North Carolina Classis. Given to Schlatter Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.

499. The Albaugh Memorial Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Miss Laura H. Albaugh, Mt. Pleasant, Md. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

500. The Robert F. and Matilda A. Polack Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Mrs. Matilda A. Polack, York, Pa. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

501. Not to be published. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

502. The Apportionment Gift Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$2500. Created by apportionment for Church-building. Gift of \$500 to First Reformed Church, Lisbon, Ohio, and \$2000 to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

503. Home Mission Day 1914 Gift Church-building Fund of \$715.29, net balance of Home Mission Day receipts. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

504. The M. Anna Kern Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Miss M. Anna Kern, of Saegertown, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

505. Rev. Dr. Daniel M. Wolfe Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by friends of Dr. Wolfe, found in the three congregations of the Centre Hall Charge, namely, Grace, Emanuel's, and St. John's, during the pastorate of Rev. R. Raymond Jones. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

506. The Rev. Henry Bair and wife, Magdalena, Gift Church-building Fund of \$1945.19. Bequest of Mrs. Magdalena Bair, widow of Rev. Henry Bair, a former minister of the Reformed Church. Mrs. Bair was a member of St. John's Reformed Church, Bucyrus, Ohio. Given to Mt. Hermon, Philadelphia, Pa.

507. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Gift Church-building Fund No. 46 of \$500. Given to Schlatter-Memorial Reformed Church, Winston-Salem, N. C.

508. The Sarah Schwenk Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mrs. Sarah Schwenk, Lansdale, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

509. The Rev. C. M. Hartzell Memorial Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Christ Reformed Church of Latrobe, Pa., in memory of the late Rev. C. M. Hartzell, a former pastor of the congregation. Invested in St. Paul's Reformed Church, Derry, Pa.

510. The Joseph and Elizabeth Eisaman Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by their son, Elder William B. Eisaman, Latrobe, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

511. The Ella Grace Dibert Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Henry S. Dibert, Reading, Pa., husband of Ella Grace Dibert. deceased. Both were late members of St. Paul's Church, Reading, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

512. The Rev. Frederick C. Bauman Memorial Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Harmony Reformed Church, Zwingle, Ia., to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod for the use of First Reformed Church, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

513. The John and Josephine Rebecca Gassman Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by their children, Howard M. Gassman, Alice K. Matthews, Flora S. Watkins, and Ella M. Foltz, through the Missionary Society of Christ Church, Hagerstown, Md. Invested in St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

514. The Rev. William F. Kosman Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by St. John's Reformed Church and Sunday-school of Riegelsville, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

515. The Amelia Frances Kunkel Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Miss Mary C. Kunkel, Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick, Md., in memory of her sister, who died February 24, 1915. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

516. The Rev. William Goodrich and Wife Church-building Fund of \$500. Rev. Goodrich was the faithful pastor of the Clear Spring Charge, Maryland Classis, for 34 years, 1865-1899. Contributed in their memory by their children: Clarence S., Clear Spring, Md.; G. Glenn, Baltimore, Md.; Ambrose W., Reading, Pa.; C. Edward, California, Pa.; and Mrs. Clarence H. Eyerly, Hagerstown, Md. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

517. The Manor Charge Church-building Fund of \$506. Contributed by Trinity, St. Matthew's and St. John's congregations of the Manor Charge, Maryland Classis. Invested in St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

518. The Trinity Reformed Church of Bloomsburg, Pa., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the congregation, Sunday School, Willing Workers, Woman's Missionary Society and Christian Endeavor Society of Trinity Reformed Church, Bloomsburg, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

519. The Mrs. Clara A. Stauffer Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed in her memory by her children, Mrs. Atvill Conner, Ralph W. and Frank N. Stauffer. Mrs. Stauffer died Nov. 4, 1893. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

520. The Atvill and Mary Catherine Conner Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed in their memory by their children, Mrs. Rebecca F. Sigler, Mrs. Cora V. Harbaugh, Thomas B. and Rev. Atvill Conner. Mrs. Conner died July 11, 1884. Mr. Conner died Feb. 14, 1915. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

521. The Rebecca C. Swope Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed in her memory by her husband, Jonathan Swope, Myerstown, Pa., R. D. 5. Mrs. Swope died Oct. 19, 1915. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

522. The George and Isabella Clever Thank Offering Church-building Fund (Woman's Missionary Society No. 47) of \$500. Contributed by their daughter, Miss Jennie S. Clever, treasurer Woman's Missionary Society, Mercersburg Classis, Shippensburg, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

523. The Elder David B. Fisher Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Elder David B. Fisher of First Reformed Church, Mt. Pleasant, Pa. Invested in Second Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.

524. The Uriah and Rachel E. Witmer Gift Church-building Fund of \$3000. Contributed by Uriah Witmer, late of Lebanon, Pa. Given to St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa.

525. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 48 of \$500. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

526. The Olive Grace Delp Memorial Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by her parents, Gabriel H. and Amanda S. Delp, First Reformed Church, Reading, Pa. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

527. The Mary A. Keen Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Elder Daniel J. Keen, in loving memory of his wife—members of Zion's (Stone Valley) Reformed Church, Hickory Corners, Pa. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

528. The Mary Jane Rauch Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Miss Eliza A. Rauch, Martinsburg, W. Va., in memory of her sister. Invested in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

529. The Woman's Missionary Society Church-building Fund No. 49 of \$500. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

530. The Charles L. and Amanda Mantz Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Milton L. Mantz, Spencer, Ohio, in memory of his parents, who were for many years members of the East Homer congregation, Tuscarawas Classis, Ohio Synod. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

531. The St. Paul's Reformed Church of Juniata, Pa., Gift Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$1000. Contributed by the congregation and applied to their debt to the Board of Home Missions.

532. The Classis of Lancaster, Eastern Synod, Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Classis. Invested in Trinity Reformed Church, Lewistown, Pa.

533. The Daniel and Catharine Zacharias Church-building Fund (Special Woman's Missionary Society No. 50) of \$500. Contributed by the Ladies' Sewing Society of the Evangelical Reformed Church, Frederick, Md.

534. The Mrs. Magdalin Pugh Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Miss Mary Pugh, Baltimore, Md. Given to St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

535. The Lizzie S. Burkholder Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Mrs. Lizzie S. Burkholder, Farmersville, Lancaster Co., Pa. (New Holland Charge). Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

536. The Grace Reformed Church of Sioux City, Ia., Gift Church-building Fund No. 1 of \$500. Given by the congregation to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod and applied to their debt to the Board of Home Missions.

537. The Samuel S. Alspach Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Samuel S. Alspach, Thornville, Ohio, in thanks to God for special preservation of life. Invested in Calvary Reformed Church, Lima, Ohio.

538. The Apportionment Gift Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$2500. Created by apportionment for Church-building. Given to Wilson Ave. Reformed Church, Columbus, Ohio.

539. The Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knight Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Henry Knight, Knox, Pa. (Beaver Charge, Clarion Classis). Given to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod for the use of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Kansas City, Mo.

540. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 51 of \$500. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

541. The Josiah and Susan R. Fickes Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Mrs. Susan R. Fickes of the Church of the Incarnation, Newport, Pa. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

542. The William Main and Susannah Hildebrand Main Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Joshua Thomas Main, late of Frederick County, Md., in honor of his parents. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

543. The Uriah A. and Maggie A. Lough Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by them in memory of their beloved son, George W. Lough, who died April 3, 1901. The donors reside in Frederick, Md. Invested in St. Luke's Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md.

544. Not to be published. Fund of \$500. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

545. The William M. and Abbie B. Achenbach Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Achenbach, of Gladbrook, Ia. Given to the Progressive Project of Interior Synod.

546. The Job M. Shoemaker Gift Church-building Fund of \$1000. Part of bequest of Job M. Shoemaker, Bedford, Pa. Given to Philadelphia Program.

547. The General Gift Church-building Fund No. 3 of \$800. Bequests of Mrs. J. H. Stepler, Lakewood, Ohio, \$50; Louisa G. Imler, Imler, Pa., \$134.69; J. Frederick Bonnett, Henderson twp., Jefferson Co., Pa., \$222.91; Isaac Otto, Hegins, Pa., \$217.40; Lydia B. Schott, Lebanon, Pa., \$175. Given to Philadelphia Program.

548. The Jacob Bare Gift Church-building Fund of \$2000. Part of bequest of Jacob Bare, York, Pa. Given to Philadelphia Program.

549. The St. John's Reformed Sunday School of Allentown, Pa., Church-building Fund No. 2 of \$500. Contributed in memory of the mother of their pastor, Rev. F. C. Seitz, D. D. Invested in J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

550. The Jacob B. Fricker Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Jacob B. Fricker Estate, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

551. The Annie G. Fricker Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Jacob B. Fricker Estate, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

552. The Mary F. Mull Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Jacob B. Fricker Estate, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

553. The Martha A. Fricker Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Jacob B. Fricker Estate, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

554. The Anna F. Fricker Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by the Jacob B. Fricker Estate, Reading, Pa. Invested in Bausman Memorial Reformed Church, Wyomissing, Pa.

555. The Frederick H. and Eliza T. Wildrick Church-building Fund of \$500. Bequest of Mrs. Eliza T. Wildrick, for many years a faithful member of First Reformed Church, Easton, Pa. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

556. The Zion Reformed Church, Chambersburg, Pa., No. 2 Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Zion Reformed Church, Chambersburg, Pa. Invested in First Reformed Church, Charlotte, N. C.

557. The Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 52 of \$500. Invested in Faith Reformed Church, State College, Pa.

558. The Rev. William C. Slough and Rev. Franklin E. Lauffer Gift Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Trinity Reformed Church of Williamsburg, Pa., No. 2 and applied to their debt to the Board of Home Missions. This Fund is named in appreciation of the valuable services rendered by them in the early history of the congregation.

559. The Grace Reformed Church of Hanover, Pa., Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by Elder William G. Hoke, Hanover, Pa. Invested in the First Hungarian Reformed Church, Homestead, Pa.

560. Name not to be published. Fund of \$500, contributed by Mr. T. M. Wood, Zion's Reformed Church, Chambersburg, Pa. Invested in Faith Reformed Church, State College, Pa.

561. The Mary F. Pugh Church-building Fund No. 3 of \$1000. Bequest of Miss Mary F. Pugh, a member of Third Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md. Invested in Faith Reformed Church, State College, Pa.

562. The John F. Unger Memorial Church-building Fund of \$500. Contributed by his daughter, Mary Unger, a member of Christ Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Invested in J. O. Miller Memorial Reformed Church of York, Pa.

The following Funds are in course of completion:

Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Church-building Fund No. 53, \$241.74.

The St. James Reformed Church of Allentown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$75.00.

The Rev. Jonathan E. Hiester, D. D., Church-building Fund, from the Annville Charge, Annville, Pa., \$389.92.

The Geo. L. Freet Church-building Fund from Trinity Reformed Church of Altoona, Pa., \$62.67.

The Trinity Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Berlin, Pa., \$250.

The Zion Reformed Church, near Berlin, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$10.83.

The St. John's, Bellefonte, Pa., Sunday School and congregation Church-building Fund, \$111.53.

The Swamp-Amity Charge Church-building Fund, \$5.25.

The St. John's Reformed Church, Bedford, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$100.00.

The Christ Reformed Church, Bath, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$100.00.

The Brush Creek, Pa., Sunday-school Church-building Fund, \$225.00.

The Minna A. Ernst Church-building Fund from Christ Reformed Church, Bethlehem, Pa., \$258.98.

The St. Luke's Church-building Fund No. 2, Clarion Classis, \$10.00.

The Carlisle Classis Church-building Fund, \$301.00.

The Church-building Fund No. 2 from David's Charge, Canal Winchester, Ohio, \$83.76.

The Mount Zion Reformed Church, China Grove, N. C., Church-building Fund, \$179.17.

The Catechumen Church-building Fund No. 4, \$250.72.

The First Reformed Sunday School, Carlisle, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$185.00.

The Rev. Levi C. Sheip Church-building Fund, from the W. M. S. Salem Reformed Church, Doylestown, Pa., \$50.00.

The Grace Reformed Church, Duquesne, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$70.45.

The Ellelia Bott Evans Church-building Fund from W. M. S. of Somerset Classis and members of Paradise Charge, \$392.08.

The East Susquehanna Memorial Church-building Fund from East Susquehanna Classis, \$200.00.

The Noll Missionary Society of St. Matthew's Reformed Church, Enola, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$29.87.

The St. John's Reformed Church, Emlenton, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$132.72.

The Grace Reformed Church and Sunday School Church-building Fund, Frederick, Md., \$59.26. Gift Fund.

The Rev. D. B. Shuey Church-building Fund from Rev. D. B. Shuey, Galion, Ohio, \$335.00.

The Second Reformed Sunday School, Greensburg, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$300.00. Gift Fund.

The First Reformed Church of Greensburg, Pa., Gift Church-building Fund, \$235.60.

The First Reformed Church of Greensburg, Pa., Gift Church-building Fund, \$163.27.

The Great Swamp Church-building Fund, \$12.55.

The St. John's Reformed Church, Hollidaysburg, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$283.49.

The Church-building Fund, \$35.00.

The Huntingdon Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Huntingdon, Pa., \$163.00.

The Rev. David A. Souders, D. D., Church-building Fund from the Reformed Church of Irwin, Pa., \$230.00.

The Juniata Classical Missionary Society Church-building Fund, \$179.59.

The Grace Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Jeanette, Pa., \$190.86.

The St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$150.00.

The Reformed Church of the Redeemer, Littlestown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$27.06.

The St. James Reformed Church, Lovettsville, Va., Church-building Fund, \$33.80.

The St. Luke's Reformed Church and Sunday School Church-building Fund, Lock Haven, Pa., \$150.16.

The Christ Reformed Church, Sunday School and Missionary Society Church-building Fund, Martinsburg, W. Va., \$325.01.

The Elders' Church-building Fund of Maryland Classis, \$381.00.

The Maquoketa Charge Church-building Fund, Maquoketa, Ia., \$251.71.

The Grace Reformed Church, Mt. Carmel, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$100.00.

The Henry J. Seibert Church-building Fund from Miss Lue Ellen Seibert, Martinsburg, W. Va., \$250.00.

The Samuel and Barbara Martzall Church-building Fund from their three daughters, Isabella A., Mary A., and Emma M. Martzall, Manheim, Pa., \$300.00.

The Maytown Reformed Church, Maytown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$5.25.

The Salem Reformed Church, Martinsburg Charge, Church-building Fund, Martinsburg, Pa., \$40.58.

The Martinsburg Charge, Martinsburg, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$169.38.

The North Penn Ministerial Association Church-building Fund, \$200.00.

The St. Luke's Reformed Church, North Wales, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$187.64.

The Elias Reformed Church, Newmanstown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$15.00.

The Samuel A. Achenbach Church-building Fund from Miss Mary A. Achenbach, Orangeville, Pa., \$200.00.

The Ohio Synod's Elders' Church-building Fund, \$349.79.

The Ohio Synod and Western Woman's Missionary Society Church-building Fund No. 4, \$31.19.

The Reformed Church, Prospect, Ohio, Church-building Fund, \$31.23.

The Israel's Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Robertville Charge, Paris, Ohio, \$102.41.

The Pittsburgh Synod Elders' Church-building Fund No. 2, \$320.90.

The St. Stephen's Reformed Church and Sunday School Church-building Fund, Perkasio, Pa., \$31.20.

The Trinity Reformed Bible School, Church-building Fund, Philadelphia, Pa., \$200.00.

The Grace Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa., Church-building Fund No. 2, \$116.60.

The St. John's Reformed Church, Phoenixville, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$25.00.

The Christ Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Pittsburgh, Pa., \$10.26.

The Andrew J. and Mary C. Fricker Church-building Fund from Mrs. Sarah E. Shanaman, Reading, Pa., \$400.00.

The Salem Reformed Church and Sunday School of Rohrerstown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$33.95.

The Rev. Thomas C. Porter Church-building Fund from Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., \$275.00.

The Reamstown Charge Church-building Fund (Gift) \$10.00.

The St. John's Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Shamokin, Pa., \$163.76.

The St. Paul's Reformed Church, Schaefferstown, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$18.32.

The Mrs. Mary Ellen Wagner Church-building Fund, Selins Grove, Pa., \$200.00.

The St. Paul's Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Sellersville, Pa., \$40.72.

The Thornville, Ohio, Charge Church-building Fund, \$112.61.

The Tiffin Classis Church-building Fund, \$196.70.

The Emanuel Reformed Church and Sunday School Church-building Fund, Upper Sandusky, Ohio, \$18.62.

The Emanuel's Reformed Church (Baust) Church-building Fund, Union Bridge, Md., \$5.00.

The Bethany Orphans' Home, Church-building Fund, \$118.85.

The Woman's Missionary Society, St. John's Reformed Church, Williamsport, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$300.00.

The Cornelius Hange Memorial Church-building Fund, East Homer Charge, West Salem, Ohio, \$31.25.

The Rev. Dr. John M. Schick Church-building Fund from the Ladies' Aid Society of Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C., \$125.00.

The St. Paul's Reformed Church, Waynesboro, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$43.00.

The Schlatter Memorial Gift Church-building for Winston-Salem, N. C., \$60.00, from members of North Carolina Classis.

The Westmoreland Classis Sunday School Church-building Fund, \$200.

The St. Paul's Reformed Sunday School, Woodstock, Va., Church-building Fund, \$25.00.

The Trinity Reformed Church, Wilkesburg, Pa., Church-building Fund, \$363.56.

The Woman's Extension Missionary Society Church-building Fund from the Wentz congregation, Goshenhoppen Classis, \$290.00.

The First Reformed Sunday School Church-building Fund, Xenia, Ohio, \$189.68.

The Melvina A. Hawk Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project) \$150.00.

The First Reformed Sunday School, Cedar Rapids, Ia., Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$22.42.

The Missionary Festival Association of Northern Illinois Classis Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$452.04.

The Grace Reformed Church, Sioux City, Ia., Gift Church-building Fund No. 2 (Progressive Project), \$1.02.

The Henry Isely Gift Church-building Fund, from his wife in loving memory (Progressive Project), \$250.00.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Interior Synod Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$48.65.

The Jacob and Mary Marquart Gift Church-building Fund, Lawton, Ia. (Progressive Project), \$300.00.

The Melchoir and Katie Von Bergen Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$400.00.

The Interior Synod's Ministerial Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$115.00.

The Interior Synod Jubilee Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$320.78.

The Daniel and Mary Marie Camerer Gift Church-building (Progressive Project), \$407.00.

The Geo. L. and Fannie S. Graby Memorial Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$100.00.

The Interior Sunday School Gift Church-building (Progressive Project), \$97.64.

The Mrs. F. C. Bauman Memorial Gift Church-building Fund (Progressive Project), \$373.06.

Special Church-building Funds reported by the Treasurer of the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod, in the Society Treasury.

Eastern Synod

Zion's, Lehighton.....	\$217.26
W. M. S., Tohickon Classis.....	120.40
W. M. S., West Susquehanna Classis.....	4.97

Ohio Synod

W. M. S., Ohio Synod.....	28.50
W. M. S., Tuscarawas Classis.....	176.27
W. M. S., Lancaster Classis.....	7.17

Interior Synod

W. M. S., Interior Synod.....	24.63
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Central Synod

W. M. S., Central Synod.....	38.98
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The following legacies have been received:

LEGACIES

Louisa F. Wirt, Hanover, Pa.....	\$1,000.00
Daniel Miller, Reading, Pa.....	500.00
Michael Beamer, Greensburg, Pa.....	500.00
Melville E. Doll, Frederick, Md.....	1,000.00
Catharine E. Rhoads, Amity Twp., Berks Co., Pa.....	500.00
Job M. Shoemaker, Bedford, Pa.....	1,000.00
Job M. Shoemaker, Bedford, Pa.....	387.50
Emanuel Pontius, Mifflinburg, Pa.....	500.00
Sallie E. Will, New Market, Va.....	500.00
Philip Williard, Trappe, Pa.....	500.00
Mary C. Heilman, Reading, Pa.....	500.00
Noah Bower, Thornville, Ohio.....	1,000.00
Sarah Jane Mumbauer, Phila., Pa.....	154.11
Sarah A. Rauch, Lebanon, Pa.....	285.00
Rebecca Brumbaugh, Greencastle, Pa.....	500.00
Harrison Kalbach, Lebanon, Pa.....	10,000.00
Laura H. Albaugh, Mt. Pleasant, Md.....	500.00
Matilda Polack, York, Pa.....	500.00
Magdalena Bair, Bucyrus, Ohio.....	1,945.19
Henry S. Dibert, Reading, Pa.....	500.00

Mrs. J. H. Stepler, Lakewood, O.....	50.00
Louisa G. Imler, Imler, Pa.....	134.69
J. Frederick Bonnett, Henderson Twp., Jefferson Co., Pa....	222.91
Uriah Witmer, Lebanon, Pa.....	3,000.00
Isaac Otto, Hegins, Pa.....	217.40
Lizzie S. Burkholder, Farmersville, Lancaster Co., Pa.....	500.00
Susan R. Fickes, Newport, Pa.....	500.00
Lydia B. Schott, Lebanon, Pa.....	175.00
Joshua Thomas Main, Frederick Co., Md.....	500.00
Jacob Bare, York, Pa.....	2,964.70
Eliza T. Wildrick, Easton, Pa.....	500.00
Mary F. Pugh, Baltimore, Md.....	1,000.00
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	\$32,036.50

The Board is also soliciting annuities and post mortuary notes. These are found to be a safe and convenient arrangement for our people.

The following is a list of the Church-building Funds of the Board of Church Erection of the Synod of the Northwest, the Central Synod and the Synod of the Southwest:

1. \$500-Fund of the Sunday School of Zion's Church, Waukon, Ia.
2. \$500-Fund donated by Justus Norwig, Wolseley, Sask., Canada.
3. \$500-Fund in Memory of Elder Herman Marcus, Louisville, Ky., by his children.
4. \$500-Fund donated by the First Reformed Church, Canton, O.
5. \$500-Fund in Memory of Philip and Susanna Steinhage, by Mrs. and Rev. H. H. Kattmann.
6. \$500-Fund donated by the First Reformed Sunday School, New Knoxville, O.
7. \$500-Fund by the Sunday School of the First Reformed Church, Toledo, O.
8. \$500-Fund by the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
9. \$500-Fund in Memory of Dr. M. G. P. Stern, by the Missionary Society of St. John's Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
10. \$500-Fund by the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
11. \$500-Fund by Zion's Reformed Sunday School, Sheboygan, Wis.
12. \$500-Fund by Barbara Hamilton, Helvetia, W. Va.
13. \$500-Fund in Memory of Margaretha Koch, by her children.
14. \$500-Fund in Memory of Jacob C. Siekmeier, by his wife, Hannah Siekmeier, Waukon, Ia.
15. \$500-Fund by Zion's Reformed Church, Norwood, O.
16. \$500-Fund by the Mission Society of First Church, Cincinnati, O.
17. \$600-Fund by the Second Church, Portland, Ore.
18. \$500-Fund by the First Church, Portland, Ore.
19. \$500-Fund by Young People's Society of the First Church, Portland, Ore.

20. \$500-Fund in Memory of Friedrich Stockmeier, Salem, Ore.
21. \$500-Fund in Memory of Sophia Stockmeier, Salem, Ore.
22. \$500-Fund in Memory of Anton Kielsmeier, Salem, Ore.
23. \$500-Fund by the Dakota Classes.
24. \$500-Fund by the W. M. S. of St. John's Classis.
25. \$500-Fund by the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
26. \$500-Fund by Central Synod.
27. \$500-Fund by Salem's Church, Lafayette, Ind.
28. \$500-Fund by Salem's Sunday School, Waynesburg, Ohio.
29. \$500-Fund in Memory of Dr. H. A. and Sophia Muehlmeier, by their children.
30. \$500-Fund, Annuity Fund, by J. H. St.
31. \$500-Fund by the First Church, Akron, O.
32. \$500-Fund by Minnesota Classis.
33. \$500-Fund by Milwaukee Classis.
34. \$500-Fund by Heidelberg Classis.
35. \$500-Fund by Indiana Classis.
36. \$500-Fund by Christian Rolli, Yutan, Neb.
37. \$500-Fund by Sheboygan Classis.
38. \$500-Fund by the First Church, Marion, O.
39. \$500-Fund in Memory of Sophia Beneker, by her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Narwold, Canton, O.
40. \$500-Fund in Memory of Christina Ruhl, by her husband, Rev. Phil. Ruhl, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
41. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
42. \$500-Fund in Memory of John Lahr, by Mrs. John Lahr, Huntington, Ind.
43. \$500-Fund in Memory of Dr. H. J. Ruetenik, by his grateful pupils.
44. \$500-Fund in Memory of Henry Kaetterheinrich, by his wife Elizabeth and his son Henry Kaetterheinrich, Stratford, Wis.
45. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
46. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod.
47. \$500-Fund by two adult classes, First Church, New Knoxville, O.
48. \$500-Fund in Memory of Henry M. Meyer and Wilhelmina Metting Meyer, by their son, Rev. Benjamin M. Meyer, Elizabethtown, Pa.
49. \$500-Fund by Young Women's Missionary Auxiliary, General Synod.
50. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod, Special Thank Offering.
51. \$500-Fund by the Ladies' Society, New Knoxville, O.
52. \$500-Fund, Dr. C. F. Kriete Fund, by the Synod of the Southwest, in recognition of Dr. Kriete's 25 years of service on the Board of Church Erection.

- 53. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
- 54. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society, Heidelberg Classis.
- 55. \$500-Fund by Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
- 56. \$500-Fund by St. Peter's Church, Huntington, Ind.
- 57. \$500-Fund in Memory of Edward Vornholt, by his family and St. John's Church, Lacrosse, Wis.
- 58. \$500-Fund by the Young People's Society of Immanuel's Church, Sutton, Neb.

The entire amount in the Church Erection Fund of the German Board is \$101,417.73.

During the triennium, Treasurer Wise prepared a booklet entitled, "Our Church-building Funds—a brief outline of the first five hundred Church-building Funds of the Board," indicating the name of the Fund, the donor, and also the place of its investment. This booklet contains much valuable information and gives explicit instructions regarding these Funds. A copy is herewith presented to the General Synod for its archives.

Attorney C. M. Boush, who has been identified with the Board as a member and legal adviser for forty years, prepared a volume entitled "Rulings by the Civil Courts Governing Religious Societies," which is a collection of decisions by State and Federal Courts on the rights, powers and duties of religious societies, their members and judicatories, and their property rights. This book is of inestimable value in determining certain legal questions which may arise from time to time wherein church and state figure.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

NAME	Number of Missions	Communicant Members	Net gain in three years	Raised by the Missions for Benevolence in three years	Raised by the Missions for pastoral support in three years	Raised by the Board from the Church for support of Missions for three years	Raised by the Board from the Church for Church-building for three years
Board of the General Synod . . .	156	18,827	1753	\$95,489	\$166,449	\$316,657	\$141,165
Board of the Synod of the Northwest, Central Synod and the Synod of the Southwest	85	6,574	1722	15,885	52,212	66,723	25,495*
Totals	241	25,401	3475	\$111,374	\$218,661	\$383,380	\$166,660

* Church Erection Board of the Synod of the Northwest, Central Synod and Synod of the Southwest.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS ARRANGED BY TRIENNIUMS, GENERAL AND
CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS

1826 to 1863 (approximately).....	\$59,000
1863 to 1866.....	25,780
1866 to 1869.....	57,844
1869 to 1872.....	42,761
1872 to 1875.....	44,000
1875 to 1878.....	46,039
1878 to 1881.....	55,039
1881 to 1884.....	77,990
1884 to 1887.....	105,039
1887 to 1890.....	142,761
1890 to 1893.....	149,793
1893 to 1896.....	172,476
1896 to 1899.....	229,918
1899 to 1902.....	195,245
1902 to 1905.....	233,722
1905 to 1908.....	297,370
1908 to 1911.....	317,029
1911 to 1914.....	503,724
1914 to 1917.....	550,040
Total.....	\$3,296,570

EVANGELISM

The General Synod of 1914 referred to this Board two special subjects in the following action:

"*Resolved*, That the Board of Home Missions be instructed to create departments of Evangelism and Social Service.

"2d, *Resolved*, That these departments be instituted for the purpose chiefly of giving information and inspiration to the Church in these matters, and not for the purpose of exercising control or administrative functions, the pastor always being looked upon as his own evangelist."

Accordingly the Board at an early opportunity appointed a committee consisting of Rev. E. S. Bromer, D. D., Rev. F. A. Rupley, Rev. C. B. Schneder, D. D., Rev. J. H. Bomberger, D. D., and Rev. Charles E. Schaeffer, D. D. This committee met and organized by the election of Dr. E. S. Bromer as chairman, and Rev. F. A. Rupley as secretary. Inasmuch as the specific instruction of the General Synod to the Board with regard to this work is the giving of information, we give in this connection a rather full and comprehensive statement of the development of the work of evangelism in the Reformed Church.

From time to time efforts in behalf of a stronger evangelistic movement in the denomination have been put forth in various sections of the Church. In 1908 overtures came before the General Synod at York, Pa., requesting said body to appoint a committee on Evangelism. These overtures were referred to a special committee with instructions to canvass the situation and report to the General Synod at Canton in 1911. The committee reported (see

Minutes General Synod 1911, page 411) that it was not the province of the General Synod to create such a commission, but recommended that the entire subject be left to the discretion of the Classes. The Ohio Synod for a number of years has had an evangelist in the field who is charged with the responsibility of ministering to weak and vacant congregations and in assisting pastors in such special services as may be desired.

In 1912 the Simultaneous Every Member Canvass was launched in the Reformed Church. It was felt at the very beginning of that movement that an effort for systematic giving should be preceded by and combined with an effort to secure men and women for the kingdom. Consequently the first committee named in connection with the Simultaneous Every Member Canvass was the Committee on Evangelism. Suitable literature was prepared and distributed among pastors and people. Sermons on the subject were preached from many of our pulpits. The evangelistic note was sounded throughout the denomination. "Win One" cards were freely distributed, Personal Workers Conferences were organized, Pastors' Helpers Leagues were formed, and the results in bringing people into the Church were very gratifying.

In the meantime, in 1913, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, appointed its Commission on Evangelism, and immediately steps were taken by the Commission to enlist the activity and coöperation of the constituent bodies of the Council in the work of evangelism. Communications were addressed to the respective denominational bodies with a view of getting such commissions appointed in each denomination. Moved by this influence from within and from without, the General Synod in 1914 took the action indicated above.

The committee held nine meetings during the triennium. From the very start it became apparent that the committee could do very little more than study the situation and probably work out a plan of evangelism which would be in harmony with the historic life and distinctive genius of our denomination. It therefore set itself to the task of studying the different phases of evangelistic effort which obtain in Christendom. With the general theory of evangelism in its etymological sense it found itself in perfect accord, but with some of its modern expressions it was at pronounced variance. It became convinced early in its study that evangelism is to be regarded as a passion rather than a method of work. It is a presentation of the gospel, whether by preaching, by teaching or by living, with the avowed purpose of reaching and winning souls for Christ. Evangelism is the missionary outreach of the Church in bringing the lost to Christ, in restoring backsliders into Christian fellowship and in vitalizing the spiritual life of the members of the Church. The committee also felt that any effective program of evangelism in our denomination would have to be an expression not only of our historic genius, but would also have to conform to the spirit of this modern age. In many phases it would have to

be differentiated from the evangelism of a century and more ago. The older evangelism accomplished some great and marvelous results. It produced some of the great leaders in the Church, like Wesley, Whitefield, Moody and others; but the civilization and the complex situation of today demand a somewhat different type of evangelism. We are thinking these days of religion in terms of life and must, therefore, predicate of it the process of growth and development. Furthermore, our life has become more complex, and religion finds itself related to our social and our organized life as it never did before. The Christian is saved not merely to enter into a future and eternal heaven; he is saved unto a life which now is and forever will be. Nor is he saved unto himself, but only in relation to the kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. The individual, therefore, stands for his highest and best only in relation to society as a whole. The world is a great deal more than an aggregation of so many units called individuals. These individuals constitute a body, a society, and create an atmosphere and an order of life which must be Christianized. Such a social organization demands the highest type of individualism. Consequently, the appeal for the salvation of the individual loses none of its original force. "Except a man be born again he cannot see the Kingdom of God." The great objective of the Christian religion is the Christianization of the world. The immediate work of evangelism is to herald this Christianized social order, to call men and nations to repentance for their individual and social sins that they may truly enter this same Kingdom of God on earth and die in the realization of an individual and social immortality whose consummation can be only in the eternal years with God. Evangelism is the initial work of Christianization. Its appeal is both to the individual and to the social conscience. Its watchword is, "Repent and believe in the gospel; for the Kingdom of God is at hand." Its demand is decisive choice and action. Both the individual and society must be born again. The growth and development of such a Christianized social order involves a prolonged process. It extends through the centuries. The Kingdom of God is an ever coming Kingdom. Thus conceived evangelism and Christianization are not identical. The dawn of a new evangelism is upon us.

In order that a clear and intelligent presentation of this subject might be made to the Church, the chairman of the committee, Dr. E. S. Bromer, was requested to prepare a series of lectures on Evangelism and to deliver the same in all of the Theological Seminaries of our Church. These lectures are now in course of preparation and after their delivery will be given to the Church in published form.

During the triennium the committee prepared and distributed the following

A Message for Pastors,
An Acceptable Year of Our Lord,
Three Year Plan of Evangelism.

This literature sought to emphasize the fundamental principles of our religion and also endeavored to lead the thought of the Church in conducting a suitable campaign of evangelism in the congregations, as well as to show how certain seasons of the year lend themselves to this work with peculiar fitness.

The Three Year Plan contemplates an enlarged effort on the part of the Church along lines of a sane evangelism. It voices the conviction that the Church has arrived at a juncture where the conditions of our religious life demand renewed investigation, readjustment and an aggressive advance. The committee points out the prevailing lethargy and apathy on the part of many of our congregations along evangelistic lines. Many report to their Classes no additions either by adult baptism or by confirmation. The average erasure of names approximates the net gain per year throughout the denomination. The committee has felt the importance of intensifying the evangelistic motive and increasing our evangelistic efficiency. It has, therefore, set a goal as the aim of our effort during the triennium immediately before us. This goal calls for a net increase of 75,000 in our membership; and this is to be accomplished through a vital seeking of God and His Kingdom of righteousness and love. The committee is deeply conscious that a campaign for numbers merely is in itself a religious fallacy, and can end only in failure; but a growing passion for souls and for the ideals of the Kingdom of God is a leaven of spiritual power and a gain which no one can gainsay. Inasmuch as the function of the committee was restricted to that of giving information and inspiration, it could not launch any active or aggressive campaign, but if the General Synod will approve the work outlined and carried forward to this point, and will cause to be appointed in the various Classes of the Church such committees and make provision for such organization as may be required, the committee stands ready to go forward in this work more aggressively than it has done hitherto. The demands of the times are upon us; the crisis hour of the world's history has come. The Church of Christ must arouse herself to a greater activity and must reach out in greater love and enthusiasm to win the world for Christ and to advance the Kingdom of righteousness and peace and joy in the world.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Pursuant to the action of the General Synod of 1914, the Board of Home Missions appointed a Committee on Social Service consisting of the following: Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D. D., Rev. George W. Richards, D. D., Rev. D. H. Fouse, Rev. A. C. Shuman, D. D., and Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, D. D. The committee met and organized by the election of Dr. William C. Schaeffer as chairman, and Rev. Charles E. Schaeffer as secretary. It held three meetings.

The committee felt itself bound by the instructions of the General Synod to the effect that the work undertaken should be along the line of education, inspiration and guidance. Consequently, it set

itself to work on a study of the principles underlying the subject of Social Service. By conference and correspondence it wrought out a Social Creed for its own guidance and as a platform upon which all the members of the committee might stand. This social creed was published and circulated throughout the Church. It is as follows:

I. ON INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIAL SALVATION:

We believe

1. That God wills that all men should be saved;
2. That God first calls and saves individuals;
3. That God saves and blesses individuals, not because they are his favorites, but that they may become servants of the Lord in saving others;
4. That, in order, to save others, those who are saved must, in accordance with the Christian law of love, do whatever in them lies to ameliorate the conditions, purify the environment, and sanctify the relations, in which men and women must live;
5. That the work of saving the world hence implies the Christianizing of the entire social order, so that all the relations of life shall be controlled and governed by the Christian law of love;
6. That such a Christian social order is indispensable to the full development of the individual.

II. ON THE DUTY OF THE CHURCH IN SOCIAL SERVICE:

We believe

1. That the Church has a vital interest in all the social relations of men, and owes a duty in the solution of every social problem;
2. That, in the discharge of this duty, the Church should follow the order of procedure indicated by the Lord, namely, seek first to save individuals, and through them, as "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world," to save and uplift the world;
3. That the Church should seek to know the social conditions in every community, and set itself earnestly to interpret the gospel of Jesus in relation to the needs of all classes; that is, it should faithfully teach the demands of truth, righteousness and love in all the relations of life;
4. That the Church should use its influence and power to persuade all men, and especially its members, to oppose injustice, wrong and vice in all forms, and to lend their best endeavors to the establishment of truth, justice and love in all the relations of life;
5. That the Church may, and often should, use the sacred right of petition to the civil authorities in favor of the passage and execution of such laws as will help to overthrow wrong, to ameliorate the social conditions, and to encourage right relations between all classes.

III. ON THE DUTY OF THE INDIVIDUAL CHRISTIAN IN SOCIAL SERVICE:

We believe

1. That every Christian is saved in order that he may be a servant of the Lord, and that he is called to service for the salvation of the world;

2. That every Christian should refrain from all practices, which may in any way lead to the temptation or fall of his weaker brethren, from engaging in business which injures, debases or destroys any of his fellow men, and from making profit out of the oppression or exploitation of any one;

3. That Christian men should live and labor, not primarily for profit or their own advantage, but for the uplift and salvation of their fellow men;

4. That individual Christians should, either as individuals or in conjunction with other Christians, do their utmost for the overthrow of vice and wrong in every form, for the amelioration of social conditions, and for the establishment of truth, justice and love in all human relations;

5. That Christian men, in the performance of their duties to the State, should put the welfare of the people above personal and party advantage.

IV. ON THE SOCIAL PROBLEM:

We believe

1. That the subject of redemption is, not simply the individual, but the world;

2. That the social problem consists primarily in Christianizing the entire social order, and in making the Christian law of love regulative in all the relations of life;

3. That, while there are as many social problems as there are social relations, there are certain problems which especially challenge the Church at the present time; such as, the conservation of life and health, the home and family life, child labor, the right use of wealth, capital and labor, temperance, divorce, commercialized vice, a living wage, a day of rest in seven for every worker; poverty and crime, and the race problem.

4. That the Reformed Church in the United States should accept the platform adopted by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and that it should stand for

(1) Equal rights and complete justice for all men in all stations of life;

(2) The protection of the family, by the single standard of purity, uniform divorce laws, proper regulation of marriage, and proper housing;

(3) The fullest possible development for every child, especially by the provision of proper education and recreation;

(4) The abolition of child labor;

(5) Such regulation of the conditions of toil for women as shall safeguard the physical and moral health of the community;

(6) The abatement and prevention of poverty;

(7) The protection of the individual and society from the social economic and moral waste of the liquor traffic;

(8) The conservation of health;

(9) The protection of the worker from dangerous machinery, occupational disease and mortality;

(10) The right of all men to an opportunity for self-maintenance, and for the safeguarding of this right against encroachments of every

kind, and for the protection of the worker from the hardships of unemployment:

(11) Suitable provision for old age of the worker, and for those incapacitated by injury;

(12) The right of employees and employers alike to organize, and for adequate means of conciliation and arbitration in industrial disputes;

(13) The release from employment one day in seven;

(14) The gradual and reasonable reduction of the hours of labor to the lowest practical point, and for that degree of leisure for all which is a condition of the highest human life;

(15) A living wage as a minimum in every industry, and for the highest wage that each industry can afford.

(16) For a new emphasis on the application of Christian principles to the acquisition and use of property, and for the most equitable division of the product of industry that can ultimately be devised.

The committee also sought through the publication of articles in the Church papers, through sermons and addresses, to emphasize the importance of recognizing the second and greater task laid on the Church by our Lord in what is commonly known as the great commission. The risen Saviour commanded His followers to make disciples of all nations and in the accomplishment of this task they were to do two things: to baptize all nations into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit—that is, they were so to evangelize the nations that they would confess Jesus as Lord; also to teach all nations to *observe* all things whatsoever our Lord commanded. This latter implies that the whole social order is to be transformed into the Christian ideal, that the Kingdom of this world is to become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

The committee is of the opinion that while the Church has to a large extent been aroused to the former and lesser of these two tasks, it has yet scarcely realized the latter and greater. The committee has endeavored to make at least a small contribution to the awakening of the Church to this greater task.

The committee is also of the opinion that the Reformed Church is slowly awakening to her opportunity and duty in helping to transform the social order of the world from a pagan to a Christian ideal. This is apparent in the changed emphasis in the preaching of today and in the greater stress which is being laid in our Synodical action on social justice and temperance. During the past triennium several of the district Synods have taken decided and advanced action on temperance and through their own committees on Social Service have gone on record in favor of taking advanced positions on the whole subject of social righteousness. At least two of the district Synods have endorsed the Social Creed of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. This we believe to be a hopeful sign promising much along the line of social betterment in the future.

The committee, moreover, is of the opinion that the best work it can do must be confined largely along the line of education, inspiration and guidance. As it was a great day for the world when the Church, about a hundred years ago, woke up to her task of bringing the gospel to all nations, so it will be a greater day for the world when the Church shall fully waken to her duty and privilege of transforming the social life of the world from the old pagan order into the Christian order which shall realize the Kingdom of God on earth.

PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY

The work of informing, educating and developing the missionary consciousness of the Church has demanded a large investment of time and labor and money on the part of the various agencies of the Board. During the triennium fully one million pieces of literature have gone out into the Church with a view of presenting the needs and the claims of the work, and of enlisting the coöperation and support of the Church. The following literature was prepared and distributed:

The Validity of our Mission in the West.

A Message for Pastors.

An Acceptable Year of Our Lord.

Three Year Plan of Evangelism.

What a Theological Student Should Know About Home Missions.

The Problems of the Country Church.

A Social Creed.

Prayer Power for Home Missions.

Our Church-building Funds.

The Home Mission Work of Our Denomination.

A total of 28,900 pieces.

Home Mission Day.—Home Mission Day was observed annually during the month of November. Five hundred thousand services were distributed throughout our Sunday Schools and congregations. In 1914 the service, FORWARD, was used, and the offering, amounting to \$4487.01, was applied to the Church-building Fund Department. In 1915, the service, WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR? was prepared, and St. Luke's Mission, Baltimore, Md., and Grace Mission, Detroit, Mich., shared in the offering, the total of which amounted to \$6094.08. In 1916, the title of the service was CHRISTIAN PATRIOTISM, and the offering was applied to the Progressive Project of the Synod of the Interior. The amount received to April 1, 1917, is \$4365.72.

Mission Study.—The work of Mission Study is in charge of Mr. John H. Poorman, and is conducted jointly by the Board of Home Missions and the Board of Foreign Missions. During the triennium this department sold 2570 Home Mission Study text books, and sent out a total of 43,210 pieces of Home Mission literature. It conducted summer conferences in eight localities, as follows:

Linwood Park, Vermilion, O.
 Pen Mar Park, Pen Mar, Md.
 Ridgeview Park, Pa.
 Chautauqua Park, Mt. Gretna, Pa.
 Collegeville, Pa.
 Upper Palisades, Ia.
 Mission House, Wis.
 Indianapolis, Ind.

Fifteen hundred and ninety-two delegates attended these conferences, and fifty-three Home Mission Study Classes were conducted. So far as the partial records show, 248 Home Mission Study Classes were conducted throughout the entire Church during the triennium.

The text book, "Our Home Mission Work," an outline study of the Home Mission work of the Reformed Church in the United States, was issued during the summer of 1914, and has since been extensively used at summer conferences and in mission study classes.

The department is also prepared to furnish pastors with stereopticon slides and lectures, as follows: "Our Own Immigrants," with 76 slides; and "The Japanese Along the Pacific Coast," with 110 slides. These have been frequently used during the triennium. In addition the lectures on "The Immigrant in America," and "The American Indian," prepared by the Missionary Education Movement, New York City, were frequently used throughout the Church.

The Woman's Missionary Society.—The Woman's Missionary Society of the General Synod is rendering valuable service in behalf of the cause of Home Missions. It has been liberally supporting the work by providing 52 Church-building Funds, of which 24 were received during this triennium. This Society helps also in deaconess work among the Hungarians, in Japanese work, and in work among colored people. The following tracts were issued and distributed by the Woman's Missionary Society:

Church-building Funds.

Our Winnebago Mission.

Our Winnebagoes at Home.

An Alien Bride.

Hungarian Deaconess Work.

Bohemian Mission.

Rev. E. E. Gruenstein.

German Home Missions.

The Beginnings of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Ellis Island During the War.

J. Wernley.

Woman's Work in the San Francisco Mission.

Good-Bird.

Little Harr.

a total of 9450 pieces.

Outlook of Missions.—This missionary periodical continues to be published under the joint auspices of the Board of Home Missions, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod. It has a subscription list of 7750, as over against 5314 three years ago. During the triennium 275,000 copies of *The Outlook of Missions* were sent out. The aim is to put *The Outlook of Missions* into every family of the Reformed Church, so that all of our people may be informed concerning the latest developments of the work of extending the Kingdom at home as well as in foreign lands.

From time to time in our Church papers there have likewise appeared letters setting forth some of the phases and developments of our Home Mission work. Thus, in a variety of ways the Board has endeavored to keep the work before the mind of the Church and to impress the challenge of the needs upon its conscience.

The United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.—The Board appointed as its representatives on this committee, its president, Dr. Charles E. Miller, and its general secretary, Dr. Charles E. Schaeffer. After the death of Dr. John S. Stahr, the president of the General Synod, the vice-president, Dr. Charles E. Miller, became General Synod's representative on the committee, and the vacancy thus created was filled by the appointment of Dr. William C. Schaeffer. This committee will render a report of its own; but it is proper to state that during the triennium the Board of Home Missions was called upon to apply the amount of \$2630.37 to the work of this committee. The value of an every member canvass, to which the committee has principally applied itself during the triennium, is generally recognized. The Board, however, is of the conviction that unless the canvass is supplemented by an earnest and persistent presentation of the cause of missions, and unless abundant opportunity is afforded for large gifts on the part of liberal givers, the money required to finance the missionary work of the Church will not be forthcoming.

ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF THE AMOUNTS NEEDED ANNUALLY BY THE
BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS FOR THE COMING TRIENNium

A. *General Fund*

a. Salaries of Missionaries.....	\$125,000	
b. Administrative, including salaries of general secretary and superintendent's traveling expenses.....	20,000	
c. Educational, including Mission Study Department Conferences, Outlook of Missions, United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, Literature, etc.....	10,000	
d. Special appropriations, including moving expenses of missionaries, student work and special grants.....	2,500	
	<hr/>	\$157,500

B. *Church-building*

a. Home Mission Day expenses.....	\$2,000	
b. Special appropriations.....	8,000	
c. Administrative.....	2,000	
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C. *Immigrant Department*

a. Hungarian.....	\$10,000	
b. Bohemian.....	2,500	
c. Japanese.....	5,000	
d. Deaconess.....	3,000	
e. Harbor.....	2,000	
f. Jewish.....	3,000	
g. Colored.....	3,000	
	<hr/>	28,500

D. <i>German Department</i>	\$50,000	50,000
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E. *Evangelism*

Committee meetings and propaganda.....	1,000	1,000
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F. *Social Service*

Committee meetings and propaganda.....	1,000	1,000
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Recapitulation

General Fund.....	\$157,500
Church-building.....	12,000
Immigrant Department.....	28,500
German Department.....	50,000
Evangelism.....	1,000
Social Service.....	1,000
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Grand total.....	\$250,000
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RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the foregoing statement of facts, conditions and needs of the Board we recommend the following for adoption by the General Synod:

1. That the work of Home Missions in all its phases and departments be commended anew to the pastors and people of our congregations.

2. That all our people be urged to support the work by their prayers and by their gifts of service and money.

3. That the amount of 80c per member be apportioned upon the Church for the work of Home Missions.

4. That the plans and efforts of the Board in relieving its missions of their financial burdens as far and as soon as possible be approved, and that the Philadelphia Program and the Progressive Project of the Synod of the Interior be commended to our people.

5. That the second Sunday in November be again designated as Home Mission Day and congregations and Sunday Schools be urged to coöperate in making this special day a financial as well as an educational success.

6. That the work of the Committee on Evangelism be endorsed and that such instructions be given to the Classes and congregations whereby the Three Year Plan projected by the committee may be efficiently carried out.

7. That the work of the Social Service Committee be approved and that it be commended to the Classes and congregations for such practical effort and application as may be possible or expedient.

8. That the Church-building Funds be commended anew to our congregations, and that persons of means be urged to remember this department by their gifts and by making provision in the form of annuities, post mortuary notes and bequests.

9. That *The Outlook of Missions* and other missionary literature issued by the Board be commended to the Church for the purpose of education and inspiration.

10. That the work of the Mission Study department be commended and that greater efforts be put forth to increase the number of mission study classes throughout the Church and to enlarge the number of those who attend the summer missionary conferences.

11. That the efforts of the Woman's Missionary Society in behalf of Home Missions be heartily commended, and that they be encouraged to continue their cooperation and support.

12. That the action of the Board in engaging in mission work among the Jews in Brooklyn, N. Y., be approved and the same be commended to the liberal support of pastors and people.

Grateful to God for His guidance and help, and to the General Synod for its direction and approval, and to the Church at large for continued confidence and support, the Board of Home Missions respectfully submits another triennial report.

CHARLES E. MILLER, *President.*

CHARLES E. SCHAEFFER, *General Secretary.*

Report of Joseph S. Wise, Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions

FROM APRIL 1, 1914 TO APRIL 1, 1917

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Receipts

Eastern Synod.....	\$134,794.36
Ohio Synod.....	43,179.35
Potomac Synod.....	56,022.31
Pittsburgh Synod.....	39,560.81
Interior Synod.....	6,551.32
German Synod of the East.....	8,546.00
Northwest and Southwest Synods.....	598.60
Central Synod.....	947.95

Apportionments.....	\$290,200.70
Woman's Missionary Society.....	18,643.03
Christian Endeavor Societies.....	560.98
Miscellaneous.....	1,958.55
Hungarian educational work.....	634.04
Sunday School Board student work.....	250.00
West Philadelphia Mission.....	386.96
Japanese Mission.....	1,272.45
Sale of "Our Home Mission Work".....	271.13
Interest on deposits.....	134.19
Jewish Mission.....	720.03
Harbor Benevolence.....	1,804.88

Net receipts..... \$316,656.94

Expenditures

For Missions:

German Board (N.W., Central and S.W.)..	\$12,369.13
German Synod of the East.....	11,421.73

	23,790.86
Missionary salaries.....	239,228.80
Summer student work.....	1,411.51
Colored missions.....	2,325.00
Hungarian educational work.....	600.00
Japanese mission.....	2,217.49 +
Jewish mission.....	2,716.53
Special Appropriations.....	4,557.03
Harbor benevolence.....	1,625.00
Italian work.....	425.00
Specified funds (sent through the Board for distribution).....	1,886.42
West Philadelphia mission.....	1,153.35

281,930.99

Executive and Office Expense:

Board meetings.....	\$2,222.98
Officers' and superintendent's salaries.....	27,805.80
Traveling expenses.....	7,604.28
Office furniture.....	483.64
Office supplies and expenses.....	2,335.75

40,452.45

Educational:

Literature.....	\$1,626.72	
Outlook of Missions.....	2,359.24	
Home Mission Day service, 1915.....	1,270.53	
"Our Home Mission Work".....	1,474.46	
Jubilee Addresses.....	616.53	
United Missionary and Stewardship Com..	2,630.37	
Mission Study Department.....	5,550.52	
Evangelism.....	452.57	
Social Service.....	92.06	
Forward Movement.....	29.47	
	<hr/>	16,102.47

General Expense:

Interest.....	\$6,063.51	
Home Missions Council.....	587.06	
Miscellaneous.....	287.33	
	<hr/>	6,937.90

Total expenditures..... \$345,423.81

SUMMARY

Net receipts, as above.....	\$316,656.94	
Cash balance, April 1, 1914.....	455.36	
Loans:		
Notes due banks.....	43,500.00	
Notes due Church-building Fund	25,200.00	
	<hr/>	68,700.00
		\$385,812.30
Expenditures, as above.....	\$345,423.81	
Deficit April 1, 1914.....	39,455.53	
Accounts receivable.....	782.56	
Cash balance.....	150.40	
	<hr/>	\$385,812.30

CHURCH-BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Receipts

Eastern Synod.....	\$5,439.15	
Ohio Synod.....	2,522.30	
Potomac Synod.....	1,364.65	
Pittsburgh Synod.....	1,312.98	
Interior Synod.....	441.08	
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Apportionments.....	11,080.16	
Home Mission Day offerings.....	15,945.94	
Church-building Funds:		
Loan Funds.....	\$55,011.86	
Gift Funds.....	29,286.75	
	<hr/>	84,298.61
Legacies unassigned.....	1,352.20	
Balance, transfer of Board of Missions (Bi-synodic).....	1,469.86	
Cash from Board of Church Erection of the German Synod of the East.....	830.00	

Interest:

On loans to General Fund.....	\$2,236.50	
On loans to Missions.....	13,996.93	
On deposits.....	193.02	
	<hr/>	16,426.45
Rents.....		256.68
Special for Hungarian Church, Uniontown...		124.50
Special for Grace Church, Chicago.....		87.30
Special for Japanese Church, San Francisco.....	\$1,159.40	
Special for Japanese Church from W. M. S.....	2,236.00	
	<hr/>	3,395.40
Philadelphia Program.....		4,425.00
Progressive Project.....		1,472.91
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Net receipts.....		\$141,165.01
Board of Church Erection, German Synod of the East, transfer of securities.....	4,475.00	
Investments (paid by missions on loans).....	51,494.43	
Bonds issued.....	27,184.43	
Bills payable.....	18,781.47	
	<hr/>	91,935.33
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		243,100.34
Cash balance April 1, 1914.....		1,668.72
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		\$244,769.06

Expenditures

Investments (loaned to Missions).....	\$151,422.49	
Grace, Chicago, Home Mission Day, 1906-7.	14,102.33	
Grace, Springfield, Home Mission Day, 1912.	3,350.18	
St. Luke's, Baltimore, Home Mission Day, 1915.....	2,716.22	
Grace, Detroit, acct. Home Mission Day, 1915	350.00	
Gift Funds.....	\$21,240.60	
Grants.....	1,980.00	
	<hr/>	23,220.60
Hungarian Church, Uniontown.....	124.50	
Philadelphia Program.....	7,044.76	
Progressive Project.....		
Japanese Church-building, San Francisco....	5,325.43	
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Total toward Church-buildings.....		\$207,656.51
Office and legal expense.....	3,546.54	
Interest.....	16,499.88	
Home Mission Day Service, 1914.....	1,167.30	
Home Mission Day Service, 1916.....	996.92	
Transfer to General Fund.....	40.40	
Bonds, paid and cancelled.....	10,782.54	
Bills receivable (notes)		
Cash Dr.....	\$57,500.00	
Cash Cr.....	56,800.00	
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		33,733.58

Total expenditures.....	241,390.09
Cash balance, April 1, 1917.....	3,378.97
	<u>\$244,769.06</u>

STATEMENT—CHURCH-BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Resources

Investments secured by real estate of an estimated value of \$1,900,000.....	\$475,033.97	
Loaned to General Fund on notes.....	25,200.00	
Individual notes.....	500.00	
Post mortuary notes.....	16,300.00	
Philadelphia Program.....	7,619.76	
Cash balance.....	3,378.97	
	<u> </u>	\$528,032.70

Liabilities

Unassigned legacies.....	1,352.20	
Bonds and long term notes.....	93,037.37	
Short term notes.....	28,000.00	
Church-building Funds (loan).....	309,053.42	
Church-building Funds (gift).....	942.31	
Church-building Funds (guaranteed).....	16,800.00	
Grace, Detroit, Home Mission Day.....	3,043.56	
Home Mission Day, 1916.....	3,348.80	
Japanese Church, San Francisco.....	1,426.24	
Progressive Project.....	2,997.11	
Surplus.....	68,031.69	
	<u> </u>	\$528,032.70

GENERAL FUND AND CHURCH-BUILDING COMBINED

Resources

Church-building department as above.....	\$528,032.70	
Inventory, office furniture and supplies.....	1,875.00	
Cash in General Fund.....	150.40	
	<u> </u>	\$530,058.10

Liabilities

Bonds and notes as above.....	\$121,037.37	
Grace, Detroit, as above.....	3,032.56	
Japanese Church, as above.....	1,426.24	
Loans on notes of General Fund.....	68,700.00	
	<u> </u>	194,207.17
Net worth of the Board.....		<u>\$336,850.93</u>

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Net receipts of General Department.....	\$316,656.94
Last triennium.....	275,761.68

Gain, 14.7%.....	\$40,895.26
Net receipts of Church-building Department. \$141,165.01	
Last triennium.....	126,960.96

Gain, 11.2%.....	14,204.05
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Gain in both departments, 13.6%.....	\$55,099.31
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Percentages of Apportionment Paid by Synods

Eastern.....	45 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
Ohio.....	64 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
Potomac.....	53 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
Pittsburgh.....	77 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
Interior.....	66 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
German of the East.....	28 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
Central, Northwest and Southwest.....	17 $\frac{6}{10}$ %

Expenditures

General Department.....	\$345,423.81
Church-building Department.....	241,390.09
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	\$586,813.90

Expenditures disbursed in the following proportions:

	Last triennium	Present triennium
For Missions and Church-buildings.....	88.3 $\frac{6}{10}$ %	88.2 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
For executive and office expense.....	7.7 $\frac{6}{10}$ %	7.5 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
For educational purposes.....	2.5 $\frac{6}{10}$ %	3.1 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
For general expense.....	1.5 $\frac{6}{10}$ %	1.2 $\frac{6}{10}$ %
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	100 %	100 %

Cost to the Board per missionary:

Salary (three years).....	\$2,038.00
Executive and promotion.....	287.00
General expense (mostly interest on borrowed money)....	165.00
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Average cost for three years.....	\$2,490.00
Average cost for one year.....	\$ 830.00

Treasurer's books audited and certified correct by

FRANK G. BUTLER,

Land Title Building,
Philadelphia.

Certified Public Accountant.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1916
OHIO SYNOD

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost	Paid by Mission				Use of Parsonage	Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board—1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
					Sunday School Enrollment	Benevolence	Improvements	Debt Current Exp.	Pastor's salary			
Akron, O. (E. Market St.)	George W. Good	191	47	16	305	\$557	\$725	\$700	N	N	...	\$500
Akron, O. (Miller Ave.)	H. J. Rohrbach	303	43	30	703	820	2626	550	N	N	...	500
Akron, O. (Willard)	H. N. Spink	49	5	13	140	...	234	41	N	N	\$400	700
Alliance, O.	J. P. Stahl	162	20	30	206	1022	523	750	N	N	...	500
Athens, Mich. (2)	S. H. Isenberg	75	1	2	190	87	206	600	Y	Yes	...	500
Canton, Ohio (Grace)	J. T. Bucher	219	14	6	320	580	1454	575	N	N	1050	600
*Canton, O. (Lowell)	O. P. Foust	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	575
Dayton, O. (Heidelberg)	C. G. Beaver	45	10	1	99	142	106	145	N	N	...	1200
Dayton, O. (Ohmer Park)	F. A. Shults	90	9	34	170	235	168	300	N	N	...	1000
Detroit, Mich. (Grace)	C. A. Albright	169	29	32	400	263	225	600	N	N	9145	300
*Detroit, Mich. (Trinity)	F. W. Bald	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1200	650
Indianapolis, Ind.	Henry Gekelet	97	8	...	144	386	824	800	N	N	...	450
Kelley Island, O.	...	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
Kenmore, O. (Goss Mem.)	E. M. Ameshansley	106	15	9	420	310	536	357	Y	Yes	4000	800
Lima, O.	W. A. Alspach	209	18	9	230	630	1949	475	Y	Yes	3487	675
Lisbon, O.	Herman S. Reichard	132	3	1	212	164	559	400	N	N	...	450
Louisville, Ky.	John M. Peck	100	1	3	147	9	1646	300	N	N	11670	300
North Brewster, O.	J. H. Steele	50	10	...	85	92	150	...	N	N	200	250
Springfield, O.	F. W. Hoffman	205	7	4	110	383	500	725	N	N	4200	350
Terre Haute, Ind.	F. C. Witthoff	33	5	3	111	10	367	100	N	N	2565	900
Toledo, O. (Grace)	J. Henry Hornung	261	48	16	287	424	1267	1000	N	N	5650	1050
Warren, O.	G. P. Fisher	176	11	14	250	341	1663	600	N	N	7900	600
*Youngstown, O. (Third)	E. D. Wettach	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	800	1000
Total, 24.		2737	304	223	4529	\$6505	\$15868	\$9018			\$51697	\$14950
												\$3825

* Enrolled July, 1916.

PITTSBURGH SYNOD

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost	Paid by Mission				Use of Parsonage	Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board—1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
					Sunday School Enrollment	Benevolence	Debt Improvements	Pastor's salary Current Exd.				
Braddock, Pa.	W. S. Harman.	160	5	5	192	\$300	\$3400	\$800	Yes	\$3200	\$200	\$800
Buffalo, N. Y. (Grace)	O. H. Dorschel.	126	93	1	172	40	554	250	No	8700	950	250
Buffalo, N. Y. (Trinity)	E. G. Pfaffner.	187	23	7	25	...	10	...	No	3125	200	750
Butler, Pa. (Bethany)	J. W. Pontius.	131	12	9	211	518	1418	750	No	6250	450	400
Connelville, Pa.	C. E. Wagner.	230	15	11	262	250	981	325	Yes	2100	800	775
Cumberland, Md.	E. P. Styles.	125	15	3	175	473	1667	750	Yes	11200	225	600
Derry, Pa.	W. H. Landis.	140	...	...	...	199	20144	600	Yes	15620	600	...
Duquesne, Pa.	A. M. Rahn.	100	...	...	...	200	600	...	...	...	500	...
Elwood City, Pa.	J. B. Musser.	227	23	6	323	497	1025	500	No	7000	950	500
Greensburg, Pa. (Third)	W. C. Sykes.	115	13	17	140	345	691	350	Yes	2775	550	350
Grove City, Pa.	H. S. Nicholson.	100	16	16	176	331	708	400	No	4100	900	400
Homestead, Pa. (First)	E. J. LaMar.	95	65	12	53	326	1360	220	No	2300	900	300
Jenner, Pa. (3)	S. R. Kresge.	126	3	11	154	397	477	450	No	...	750	450
Johnstown, Pa. (St. Paul's)	E. O. Marks.	164	12	12	170	420	1149	575	No	5531	625	575
McKeesport, Pa.	P. B. Rupp.	168	18	16	270	497	1580	630	No	...	600	600
New Kensington, Pa.	J. E. Scheetz.	135	16	4	239	351	16781	500	No	15350	700	500
Pitcairn, Pa.	R. J. Pilgram.	91	19	11	103	239	1096	1000	No	23464	600	1000
Pittsburgh, Pa. (Ascension)	A. H. Groff.	160	22	22	405	54	939	400	No	9750	800	200
Pittsburgh, Pa. (Christ)	W. R. Clark.	161	25	10	141	263	1075	700	Yes	1703	950	200
Rochester, N. Y.	R. F. Main.	220	19	8	276	349	818	400	No	...	575	400
Sharpsville, Pa.	David Dunn.	159	13	7	240	229	985	588	Yes	3600	250	750
Traford City, Pa. (2)	James Shepley.	218	11	29	207	416	420	770	No	1286	525	820
Turley Creek, Pa.	D. B. Lady.	109	44	22	235	132	4329	300	No	...	600	600
Yukon, Pa.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total, 30.		3599	490	263	4656	\$7947	\$63803	\$11708		\$129869	\$15050	\$12180

INTERIOR SYNOD

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost	Paid by Mission			Use of Parsonage	Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board 1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
					Benevolence	Improvements	Debt Current Exp.				
					Sunday School Enrollment			Pastor's salary			
Abilene, Kan.	E. D. Lantz.	7	6	77	\$221	\$455	\$400	No	...	\$600	\$400
Cedar Rapids, Ia. (First) ..	F. S. Bromer.	147	8	23	585	999	317	No	10040	950	400
Cheney, Kan. ....	...	83	9	7	207	203	203	Yes	...	350	550
Chicago, Ill. (Grace) ..	E. S. Hay.	153	33	20	450	1510	800	No	18000	950	800
Columbus Junction, Ia. ....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Denver, Colo.	D. H. Fouse.	140	35	9	378	1781	960	No	1700	300	1020
Des Moines, Ia.	H. J. Leubach.	76	5	1	162	197	250	No	8400	1200	250
Emporia, Kan.	T. F. Stauffer.	46	5	1	64	823	125	Yes	3300	600	200
Freeport, Ill.	A. J. Michael.	80	19	9	210	288	1365	No	3931	1200	200
Gary, Ind. (First) ..	J. M. Johnson.	67	19	...	176	97	295	Yes	3931	1100	100
Holton, Kan. ....	...	44	7	...	54	90	273	Yes	433	550	200
Iola, Kan. ....	...	33	17	35	180	415	105	Yes	700	...	...
Kansas City, Mo. (St. Paul's)	E. N. Evans.	201	42	2	400	580	1863	No	11637	990	930
Lawton, Ia.	L. S. Faust.	109	37	3	150	300	414	Yes	650	125	875
Lincoln, Neb.	Peter M. Orr.	171	18	17	225	450	1600	No	6783	600	1100
Mill Creek-Tannus, Ill. (2) ..	D. A. Sellers.	80	45	21	185	487	330	No	...	500	480
Omaha, Neb.	J. F. Hawk.	100	50	198	550	495	150	No	9297	1250	180
Oskaloosa, Ia.	Clement D. Loehr.	118	22	14	230	325	400	Yes	2525	1100	300
St. Joseph, Mo.	J. B. Bloom.	135	18	2	410	1765	900	No	500	600	1000
Spoux City, Ia.	H. L. Krause.	83	9	6	237	946	480	No	8113	920	480
Wilton, Ia. (2) ..	...	69	19	125	265	1193	425	Yes	1109	300	425
Total, 23. ....	...	1942	381	195	\$9227	\$17613	\$9227	...	\$96958	\$15085	\$9890

* Re-enrolled Jan., 1917.

POTOMAC SYNOD

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost.	Sunday School Enrollment	Paid by Mission				Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board—1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
						Benevolence	Improvements	Current Exp.	Pastor's salary			
						\$176	\$428	\$400	No	\$7000	\$700	\$400
Altoona, Pa. (Salem)		130	14	4	243	136	550	550	No	1000	650	550
Baltimore, Md. (Grace)	H. A. Shiffer	150	15	7	212	106	22181	200	No	15506	1000	550
Baltimore, Md. (St. Luke's)	Avilla Conner	168	35	2	245	308	1385	700	No	5720	500	200
Baltimore, Md. (St. Mark's)	J. R. T. Hedeman	339	36	14	351	89	631	800	Yes	600	600	700
Baltimore, Md. (St. Steph.)	R. M. Stahl	150	10	1	118	80	801	377	No	2050	650	400
Brunswick, Md. (2)	W. B. Werner	96	5	7	135	15	121	172	No	430	750	250
Charlotte, N. C.	Shuford Peeler	19	19	..	49	69	439	600	Yes	4550	400	700
Enola, Pa.	T. H. Matterness	50	9	3	98	228	750	400	No	500	350	450
Greensboro, N. C.	A. D. Wolfinger	144	23	16	250	210	140	111	Yes	1300	750	100
Hanover, Pa.	S. P. Mauger	255	26	16	395	45	238	225	No	3715	800	260
Harrisonburg, Va.	J. Silor Garrison	76	6	4	104	18	1032	766	Yes	9645	400	800
High Point, N. C. (Bethel)	H. G. Kopenlaver	127	23	18	237	30	280	500	No	2000	500	400
High Point, N. C. (First)	L. A. Peeler	175	36	4	218	240	430	300	No	300	300	300
Hol'd ysb'g-Wilmsb'g, Pa. (2)	George Ehrgood	236	36	6	444	66	371	525	Yes	525	600	600
Juniata, Pa.	Charles Peters	189	9	11	351	91	506	300	Yes	600	300	300
Lenoir, N. C.	A. S. Peeler	58	5	5	95	187	225	575	Yes	575	575	225
Lexington, N. C. (Second)	W. H. McNairy	75	5	2	150	63	625	1197	No	4550	1200	450
Lincolnton, N. C.	Clarence Woods	115	17	2	205	480	887	500	No	3500	750	550
Roanoke, Va.	C. G. Waggoner	138	8	5	159	350	9951			\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
Salisbury, N. C.	C. E. Plott	189	9	11	351	350	9951			\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
Thomasville, N. C.	D. E. Bowers	28	24	6	108	350	9951			\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
Wagtown, N. C.	H. A. M. Holshouser	270	41	19	563	350	9951			\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
Winston-Salem, N. C.	O. S. Hartman	159	20	16	349	350	9951			\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
York, Pa. (Emanuel)		3335	443	170	5415	\$4652	\$37209	\$9951		\$68516	\$15950	\$9735
York, Pa. (St. Stephen's)												

EASTERN SYNOD

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost	Sunday School Enrollment	Paid by Mission			Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board—1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
						Benevolence	Improvements	Pastor's salary			
							Debt	Use of Parsonage			
							Current Exp.				
* Allentown, Pa. (Emanuel)	J. P. Bachman	155	45	2	274	\$1204	\$37700	\$300	\$35000	\$700	\$300
Allentown, Pa. (St. James)	J. S. Peters	99	38	7	264	39	196	100	800	800	100
Allentown, Pa. (St. Paul's)	E. E. Sensewig	380	27	20	400	672	5013	1100	12800	3000	1200
Harrisburg, Pa. (St. John's)	G. W. Hartman	197	26	14	316	232	14797	387	13680	750	350
Lebanon, Pa. (St. Stephen's)	F. R. Lefever	325	50	10	475	525	2357	500	9000	600	700
Lewisburg, Pa.	E. T. Rhodes	133	27	1	168	164	188	325	200	200	325
Montgomery, Pa.	W. H. Snyder	126	16	19	153	199	530	500	1100	500	500
Minersville, Pa.	O. R. Frantz	126	64	26	214	131	513	315	8200	660	420
Palmerston, Pa.	J. G. Kerschner	85	13	140	117	526	333	333	1950	450	450
Penbrook, Pa.	W. R. Hartzell	410	51	37	635	656	3333	950	19500	550	950
Philadelphia, Pa. (Bethany)	H. H. Hartman	156	128	1	211	144	773	236	1000	360	400
Philadelphia, Pa. (Olivet)	Maurence Samson	474	50	30	575	998	4356	1000	11750	400	1000
Philadelphia, Pa. (Palatinate)	F. E. Wieder	82	16	3	145	280	647	400	980	800	400
Scranton, Pa. (Calvary)	E. A. G. Hermann	61	14	3	160	91	1050	200	17870	950	250
Scranton, Pa. (Second)	J. F. B. Griesemer	115	11	2	198	72	558	200	950	360	240
South Bethlehem, Pa.	T. C. Brown	140	20	200	309	11490	639	400	11600	800	600
State College, Pa.	N. L. Horn	231	10	6	250	120	639	400	4000	400	600
West Hazleton, Pa.	J. E. Beaul	132	2	7	147	145	662	375	1700	625	375
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	T. R. Dietz	87	10	4	182	2560	600	600	750	600	500
Wyndmoor, Pa.	R. E. Leimbach	137	34	14	445	268	885	400	12400	900	500
Wyomissing-Temple, Pa. (2)	T. J. Hacker										
Total, 24.		3661	652	223	5552	\$36486	\$883773	\$92221	\$162480	\$13395	\$89970

* Enrolled July, 1916.

MISSION	MISSIONARY	Members	Added	Lost	Paid by Mission				Debt on Mission	Appropriation by Board—1916-1917	Mission will pay 1916-1917
					Benevolence	Debt Improvements	Current Exp.	Pastor's salary			
Baltimore, Md. (Bethel)	W. R. Strietelmeier	165	60	7	185	\$20	\$1050	\$50	No	\$5500	\$65
Br'k'n, N. Y. (Richm'd Hill)	Paul H. Land	72	30	1	100	135	1266	60	No	4600	60
Brooklyn, N. Y. (Ridgewood)	M. J. H. Walenta	200	47	42	500	333	3073	702	No	275	
Glassboro, N. J. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	
Philadelphia, Pa. (Bethany)	G. A. Haack	142	24	8	158	195	1250	225	No	3400	225
Philadelphia, Pa. (Hope)	E. H. Wessler	135	32	10	150	75	1750	75	No	8000	925
Philadelphia, Pa. (Karmel)	W. G. Weiss	150	50	50	260	112	2207	300	No	14700	700
Warren, Pa. (Glad Run)	J. Kaeppli	150	5	12	110	124	859	320	Yes	1725	400
Total, 8.	IMMIGRANT WORK	1014	248	130	1463	\$994	\$11455	\$1732		\$37925	\$8125
Ellis Island, New York City	Harbor Missions										
Angel Island, San Francisco	Paul H. Land										
	J. Mori										
Akron, O.	Hungarian Missions										
Bridgeport, Conn.	A. Bakay	145	15	3	45	\$76	\$774	\$180	No	\$6000	\$180
Dayton, O.	Alex. Ludman	350	..	..	500	148	3532	900	Yes	13500	900
Dillonvale, O.	Andrew Kovach	108	..	..	66	70	1020	375	Yes	5000	375
East Chicago, Ind.	Stephen Virag	165	47	7	195	22	1747	475	Yes	1747	600
Homestead, Pa.	Alex. Harsanyi	300	12	..	65	130	1150	540	Yes	7000	540
Johnstown, Pa.	Ernest Forzsoft	125	..	..	26	..	645	550	Yes	17500	400
Loran, O.	S. Horvath	200	..	..	80	75	1487	483	Yes	1900	550
†Northampton, Pa. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2000	450
South Norwalk, Conn.	Gabriel Dokus	200	15	15	180	121	2301	540	Yes	12000	540
South Chicago, Ill., *Gary, Ind.	J. B. Szeghy	75	25	..	25	..	580	300	Yes	600	300
Toledo, O.	Louis Bogar	405	..	..	415	..	1425	950	Yes	5200	275
Torington, Conn. (2)	John Dezzo	95	15	..	17	..	122	100	No	600	100
Uniontown, Pa.	Alex. Radacsy	150	20	20	..	..	1580	300	Yes	1500	300
Total, 16.		2368	164	45	1199	\$1077	\$16838	\$5859		\$73347	\$6550

* Enrolled Sept., 1916. † Enrolled Apr., 1917.

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MISSION	MISSIONARY	No. Missions	Members	Added	Lost	Sunday School enrollment	Paid by Mission			Use of parsonage	Debt on Mission
							Benevolence	Congregational expenses	Pastor's salary		
Neillsville, Wis.	D. Grether.	2	168	28	4	50	\$115	\$1000	\$425	1	\$3200
Green Bay, Wis.	A. Stenecker.	2	82	6	5	60	59	347	310	1	
Curtiss, Wis.	.....	3	177	8	5	50	65	425	141	1	1725
Cleveland, Wis.	C. Hauser.	1	35	8	5	11	10	100	75		
Oshkosh, Wis.	E. Buehrer.	2	39	8	1	17	10	152	75		
Appleton, Wis.	H. K. Hartmann.	1	68	3	5	35	105	503	125	.....	600
Ebenezer, Sheboygan, Wis.	H. P. Ley.	1	81	21	6	90	81	726	300	.....	3250
Colby, Wis.	A. L. Scherry.	2	118	4	5	23	79	1807	600	1	100
Calumet, Mich.	M. H. Qual.	2	99	63	24	22	75	330	275	1	
Stewart, Wis.	J. Bussian.	2	105	6	1	45	98	900	540	1	
Zoar, Watertown, Wis.	H. G. Settlage.	1	87	22	1	141	200	1873	400	.....	2700
Immanuel, Milwaukee, Wis.	E. P. Nuss.	1	57	21	1	25	16	670	275	.....	125
New Berlin, Wis.	C. F. Wicher.	1	30	8	2	15	27	105	300	.....	6510
Rice Lake, Wis.	G. Ulrich.	1	82	38	4	....	98	728	375	.....	2350
Burr Oak, Minn.	U. Zogg.	1	83	16	4	47	236	1198	600	1	1500
Hoffnung, Loveland, Colo.	J. Schalmz.	1	11	6	7	7	45	165	150		
York, Neb.	J. Vollprecht.	1	11	2	8	2	8	62	90	1	
Sidney, Neb.	Jos. Balcar.	1	40	8	6	20	35	340	300	1	
St. John's, Marengo, Ia.	J. Christ.	1	78	1	2	30	40	110	....	1	645
Ledgard, Ia.	.....	4	50	17	....	20	6	35	....	1	
Herrick, S. D.	.....	1	26	17	....	20	6	35	....	1	
Hornung, Isabel, S. D.	J. M. Bauer.	1	45	4	4	25	247	485	450	1	1400
Upham, N. D.	J. Schweickhardt.	1	65	20	5	29	37	2000	300	1	1000
Heil, N. Dak.	A. Haller-Leuz.	3	67	12	5	54	140	550	350	1	2700
Saron, Beulah, N. D.	C. T. Nuss.	1	25	10	....	24	59	4050	200	.....	2300
Janestown, N. D.	H. Heusser.	1	49	....	....	....	....	620	....	1	4300
St. John's, Tillamook, Ore.	M. Denny.	1	44	1	13	41	122	856	450	1	900
Bedahanen, Suleau, Ore.	W. G. Lienkaemper.	1	70	3	16	45	92	658	150	1	400
Third, Lents, Ore.	P. Schold.	2	61	3	2	71	164	724	450	1	1400
Quincy, Wash.	A. F. Lenkaemper.	1	46	6	2	52	44	423	200	....
First, Lost Angeles, Cal.	C. H. Riedesel.	2	44	8	1	76	16	50	....	1	95
Kimama, Ida.	H. Lehmann.	1	57	12	6	45	50	400	280	1	
Pheasant Forks, Duff, Can.	.....	2	57	12	6	45	50	400	280	1	
Wolsley, Can.	.....	2	57	12	6	45	50	400	280	1	

SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST, CENTRAL SYNOD AND SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST—Continued

MISSION	MISSIONARY	No. Missions	Members	Added	Lost	Sunday School enrollment	Paid by Mission			Use of parsonage	Debt on Mission
							Benevolence	Congregational expenses	Pastor's salary		
Salem, Winnipeg, Can.	C. Baum	1	150	15	1	130	\$202	\$1,600	\$300		
Zion, Winnipeg, Can.	A. Heinemann	1	115	11	35	75	65	1019	600	1	
Plapot, Can.	J. Dodenhann	3	93	5	2	53	55	239	224	1	
Edmonton, Can.	P. J. Dyken	2	68	6	4	49	53	341	200	1	
Stony Plain, Can.	E. Lehrer	2	123	...	5	75	130	650	600	1	\$1200
Calgary, Can.	L. P. Goerrig	4	31	4	20	24	78	306	100		
Boswel-Morse											
X, Cleveland, O.		1	147	4	1	109	82	1323	500	1	850
XI, Cleveland, O.	H. Eickelberg	1	72	5	3	60	58	431	...	...	900
Oakley, Cincinnati, O.	J. Gaenge	1	310	21	8	399	123	2160	450	1	4702
Memorial, Toledo, O.	H. O. Joeris	1	204	9	13	155	48	825	400	1	650
St. John's, Defiance, O.	H. B. Robrock	1	184	24	2	80	157	1000	600	1	
Zion, Sherwood, O.	N. E. Vitz	1	70	7	3	123	160	1100	300	1	
First, Bay City, Mich.	B. Ruf	1	125	27	6	141	164	3678	600	1	860
Elk Rapids, Mich.	L. A. Moser	1	114	3	3	43	64	980	550	1	
Butler Mem. Indianapolis, Ind.	J. F. Grauel	1	198	37	54	365	295	2640	800	1	3600
Third, Indianapolis, Ind.	F. W. Hoernemann	1	90	10	11	127	71	1020	100	1	200
Zion s, Indianapolis, Ind.	W. J. Stuckey	1	79	7	1	120	160	722	100	1	1600
First, Indianapolis, Ind.	C. T. Roeck	1	90	6	2	106	71	888	600	1	
Olney, Ind.	C. W. H. Sauerwein	1	112	19	5	138	129	642	500	1	
St. Matthews, Garrett, Ind.	O. H. Scherry	1	87	2	3	108	68	711	400	1	1840
Barton, Ark.	R. Steiner	2	93	2	3	25	21	45	175	...	
St. Thomas, Chicago, Ill.	J. H. Rettig	1	69	15	49	118	10	434	156	...	1000
Milton Ave, Louisville, Ky.	M. P. Schoepfle	1	231	26	4	294	215	1589	324	1	4100
S. Louisville, Ky.	W. F. Naeffe	1	140	15	17	265	87	650	300	1	4300
Nashville, Tenn.	W. C. Lehmann	1	122	12	7	30	113	1025	680	1	50
Stanford, Ky.		2	90	...	3	38	137	500	450	1	
Bernstadt, Ky.	L. G. Berlepp	2	107	8	3	36	29	60	300	1	
		85	6574	673	413	4533	\$5479	\$49987	\$19760	41	\$63102

TOTAL	No. of Missions	Members	Added	Lost	Sunday School enrollment	Paid by Mission			Use of parsonage	Debt on Mission	Appropriated by Board 1916-17	Mission will pay 1916-17
						Benevolence	Improvements Debt, Cur- rent exp.	Pastor's salary				
Ohio Synod.....	24	2737	304	223	4529	\$6505	\$15868	\$9018	3	\$51697	\$14950	\$8825
Pittsburgh Synod.....	30	3599	490	263	4656	7947	63803	11708	7	129869	15050	12180
Interior Synod.....	23	1942	381	195	3126	6069	17613	9227	8	99358	15085	9890
Potomac Synod.....	27	3335	443	170	5415	4652	37209	9951	9	68516	15950	9735
Eastern Synod.....	24	3661	652	223	5552	6486	88773	9221	3	162480	13395	9970
German Synod of the East.....	8	1014	248	130	1463	994	11455	1732	1	37925	4800	1125
Hungarian Missions.....	16	2368	164	45	1199	1077	16838	5859	12	73347	6550	5585
Bohemian Missions.....	2	82	8	12	150	296	1106	593	.....	2217	1700	625
Japanese Mission.....	1	89	15	3	62	60	886	.....	.....	15030	1300	100
Harbor Mission.....	1											
Jewish Mission.....	1											
General Synod's Board—.....	157	18827	2705	1264	26152	\$34086	\$253551	\$57309	43	\$638039	\$88780	\$59035
German Board—Nw. Central, Sw. .	85	6574	673	413	4533	5479	49987	19760	41	63102		
Total.....	242	25401	3378	1677	\$30685	\$39565	\$303538	\$77069	84	\$701141	\$88780	\$59035

Report of the Standing Committee on Home Missions

The Standing Committee on Home Missions submitted its report on Wednesday. It was considered separately item by item, and is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The only communications that have come into the hands of our Committee have been the Eighteenth Triennial Report of the Board of Home Missions, embracing the comprehensive report of the General Secretary on the varied phases of the general work, and the Treasurer's report of the extensive financial resources and expenditures involved in the vast work now being carried on by this Board in the magnificent missionary field that today challenges the best energies and the deepest consecration of our Reformed Church in the U. S.; also items A, B and C, pages 154, 155 and 156 of the last Minutes of General Synod, which had been referred to General Synod's Board of Home Missions and duly considered by it in the last triennium; a request from Philadelphia Classis with reference to evangelism in our denomination; an overture from the Interior Synod for representation in the membership of the Board of Home Missions; the report of Rev. J. Friedli about the missionary work of three German Synods; and the report of Dr. C. F. Kriete about the work among the colored people.

Our first thought is that of gratitude to God for the splendid growth and constant enlargement of our Home Missionary work, even though the Church at large has not given the Board one-half of the resources which General Synod had planned to make available for Home Missions, especially within this past triennium. How much more then might have been achieved in Home Missions, even within the past three years, had the full resources been given, which General Synod hoped to provide for the homeland work in the upbuilding and development of Christ's Kingdom! The statement of receipts, arranged by triennium, for the general and church-building funds of the Board, as succinctly given in the table that challenges the eye in this report, shows that within the past three years these receipts were more than ten-fold greater than for 37 years (approximately) from 1826 to 1863. While the Board has tried to foster the work of the Church in rural communities and in the smaller towns, we rejoice in its aggressive policy of planting churches in those cities where we already have such denominational prestige that it is possible for us to establish Missions which will develop all the more rapidly into vigorous self-supporting churches.

We rejoice in the improvements in methods of work, and in the splendid program now outlined, as expressive of the visions we have for the making of our Reformed Church North and South and East and West. But, we must always remember that this

work is pre-eminently and supremely spiritual, and the spiritual forces are therefore the great factors that shall bring the largest measure of results. If the Christ Himself could bid His disciples in little Judea and Galilee of old to look on the fields and behold that they were white unto the harvest, and therefore challenge them to pray the Lord of the harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest, verily we ought to pray even more earnestly than our fathers prayed, that the young men of our Sunday-schools and congregations, the very best young blood and young life of our churches, may be turned into the colleges and seminaries of our Church. For, after all, the question of the real success of the Missions depends so largely upon having the right kind of missionaries—and plenty of them, too—to man the work.

We feel that one of the ministries of the Church that is fundamental to the prosecution of the work of Missions, either at home or abroad, is the skillful development of the spirit and practice of Christian giving. What a splendid transformation of a life it is when a man, who had perhaps grudgingly given 25c or \$1.00 for benevolence, has had his eyes opened, his mind informed, and his heart overflows, so that in his new interest in Church work and in his new gratitude to God he finds a real joy in giving tens and hundreds, and even thousands of dollars, if his ability permits, as tokens of his new allegiance to the Christ, whom he now sees is his divine King as truly as the word Jesus ever meant only Saviour for him.

Pray, educate and agitate should be three of our watchwords as we vitalize the local church. Let our pulpits emphasize tactfully but persistently the great principles of giving and the abundant opportunities and privileges which we today have to furnish the substantial resources for the realization of the divine mission which the Son of God would achieve for all mankind through His blessed Church.

We recommend the following:

1. That General Synod grant the request of the Board that eighty cents per member be apportioned annually, during the next triennium for Home Missions. This would give the Board approximately \$250,000.00 for each year for its work.

2. That General Synod kindly and earnestly asks every Classis to call upon its churches through their consistories for such a benevolent budget as will challenge every member to help reach the goal of providing at least \$250,000.00 annually for Home Missions.

3. That General Synod hereby appeals to all the Classes to devise better business methods in planning to secure this budget of \$250,000.00 annually for Home Missions from the churches within their bounds. We also ask for the utmost loyalty from all pastors, congregational and Classical treasurers to speed up remittances of all benevolent moneys, and to prevent any discrimination as to the purposes to which benevolent offerings are to be applied.

4. We express our deep appreciation of the action of the German Synod of the East in transferring all its missions to the care and support of General Synod's Board, and in the transfer of mortgages, notes and cash aggregating \$4,805.00.

5. We herewith put on record our grateful appreciation of the long and faithful years of service given to the cause of Home Missions by Rev. A. C. Whitmer, now Superintendent Emeritus. His magnificent achievement in conceiving and building up the resources of the Church-building Department will ever give him an unique place of distinction and usefulness in our work of Home Missions for more than thirty years past.

6. While fully realizing that the real test of the value of a mission is in the service it renders to men in the name and spirit of Christ, we kindly suggest to the Board that every possible effort be made to urge all its missions to make the most rapid strides towards self-support, so that the resources for missionary work may be released for service elsewhere.

7. Synod approves of what Philadelphia inaugurated three years ago by which \$125,000.00 will be supplied for the reduction of the indebtedness of our missions in that city and in providing adequate equipment for the successful prosecution of the work of the missions. While this program provides that one mission shall go to self-support each year, we note with peculiar satisfaction that four of the Philadelphia missions have gone to self-support in the last triennium.

8. General Synod hails with joy the splendid challenge of the Interior Synod to raise \$40,000.00 of the total indebtedness of \$110,000.00 now seriously handicapping the growth and efficiency of our missions in the great Central West; we heartily approve of the Board's action in the assuming responsibility for the remaining \$70,000.00 of the total indebtedness of these missions. We call upon the hundred representative congregations throughout the Church, outside of the bounds of the Interior Synod, to accept the challenge of Superintendent Wise that each of these hundred congregations contribute a Church-building Gift Fund of \$500.00 towards this notable project to liquidate the entire \$110,000.00 indebtedness upon our missions in the Interior Synod. May all this usher in that new day, so much longed for, when the wide possibilities of our Western missions shall appeal with peculiar attractiveness to the strongest talent of the Church in the pulpit and the pastorate to strengthen and multiply the aggressive ministry now in the great Central West.

9. General Synod congratulates the Interior Synod upon its prompt and generous response in working out this Progressive Project, and we suggest that, by a rising vote, we express our gratitude to Superintendent Horning, whose splendid leadership and untiring energy, together with the hearty, efficient coöperation of pastors and people in the Interior Synod, have been rewarded

with more than \$37,000.00 now available for this project in cash and collectable notes.

10. The second Sunday in November in each of the next three years is hereby again designated as Home Mission Day. All Classes are affectionately enjoined to devise plans whereby the educational influence, as well as the missionary offerings of such a day shall be enhanced, in harmony with such plans and purposes as the Board of Home Missions shall outline for the observance of such a day in each year of this next triennium.

11. The work and plans of the Committee on Evangelism are hereby heartily endorsed, and Classes and congregations are urged to coöperate earnestly in putting into effect the three-year plan by which the increase of 75,000 new members shall be realized in our churches.

12. The work and plans of the Social Service Committee are hereby heartily commended to the Classes and congregations to be wrought out in their practical application as may seem most expedient. General Synod hereby adopts the Social Service Creed prepared by the Board's Committee on Social Service.

13. Our prosperous, well-to-do people and our churches are again challenged to contribute \$500 Church-building Funds, to be used either as loans or as gifts to our missions. To give in one's lifetime is to have the joy of seeing fruitage from our gifts, but if this is not done, then gifts of Church-building Funds can be made by annuities, or in the form of notes and bequests collectable after the donor's death.

14. "The Outlook of Missions" and the increased use of tracts and leaflets are heartily commended to the Church. We need to sow missionary literature broadcast and sow it deep throughout our Sunday-schools and societies and churches for educational as well as inspirational results.

15. We again emphasize the peculiar value of Mission Study Classes throughout the Church and the inspiration and joy and intellectual and spiritual blessings to be received at the eight Summer Missionary Conferences. A vastly larger enrollment in the Mission Study Classes, and vastly larger attendance at the Summer Missionary Conferences would assure the deepening of the missionary life of the Church.

16. The action of the Board in taking up missionary work among the Jews in Brooklyn, N. Y., is heartily approved and commended to the liberal support of the whole Church. How the great Divine heart of the Master, Himself a Jew, as He trod the earth in His devoted ministry and in His sublime self-sacrifice for Israel and for all nations, must rejoice to have us carry His Gospel to His own race that they may see and believe and be saved in Him.

17. General Synod notes with great pleasure the progress of the German missionary work of the Board which represents the Synod of the Northwest, the Central Synod, and the Synod of

the Southwest. In the face of war conditions in Canada, the missions have been maintained and developed, and the reports of work among the American Indians touched our hearts deeply. The fact that General Synod's Board contributed nearly \$5,700 more for German work in the past three years than in the preceding triennium indicates how much the value of this work is appreciated.

18. The work among the colored people has made much progress. Synod is delighted to hear of the liberal provision that has recently been made to take care of its indebtedness and furnish a more generous budget for its work. Synod hereby instructs its Board of Home Missions to continue our coöperation in behalf of the colored people of the South.

19. In reference to the request of the Interior Synod for representation in the membership of the Board of Home Missions we call attention:

a. To the action of General Synod, in 1893, according to which "General Synod has constituted its Board of Missions by its charter, with twelve members, regardless of any ratio from the District Synods themselves."

b. To the matter of fact that the recognition of Synodical representation does seem to have had a place in the nomination and election of the members who constitute this Board.

We recommend:

(1) That in presenting candidates for membership on the Board of Home Missions, the Committee on Nominations is asked to be governed by the provision of the charter that the twelve members of this Board are to be chosen "regardless of any ratio from the District Synods themselves."

(2) That the Committee on Nominations is hereby requested to give as full and just representation as is possible to all sections and interests of the Reformed Church in the U. S.

20. In reply to the overture from Philadelphia Classis asking for the employment of ministers of our own denomination as evangelists, General Synod hereby refers this whole matter to its Board of Home Missions with the request that it endeavor to secure ministers of our Church of approved character, ability, and experience for this work, who shall be responsible to the Board for the conduct of their work, and who shall give such time and service as they can spare from their regular pastorates. The Board shall have power to devise such feasible plan as it deems best for their remuneration. Synod further requests the Board to report its recommendations and plans for future work in this department of Church activity to the next triennial meeting at Reading, Pa.

Last, but by no means least, General Synod hereby expresses its profound appreciation of the splendid coöperation and liberal contributions of the Woman's Missionary Society in behalf of Home Missions, and we ask them for still larger things for the still larger program before us in the next three years.

The Corresponding Secretary is hereby instructed to transmit this resolution, duly signed by the President and Stated Clerk of this General Synod, and attested by the official seal, to the President of the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod, that it may be read to them at their meeting in Akron, Ohio, May 23 and 24, 1917.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. WILLIARD,
SCOTT R. WAGNER, H. F. TEXTER,
GEORGE S. SORBER, JOHN P. HIESTER.

The action taken on the foregoing report is as follows:

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18 and 20 were adopted.

Item 5 was adopted by a rising vote and the Stated Clerk was instructed to convey this appreciation to Dr. Whitmer.

Items 9 and 16 were adopted by a rising vote.

Item 19 was adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations.

Item 21 was adopted by a rising vote and the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to convey General Synod's appreciation to the Women's Missionary Society.

In the consideration of the report Synod was addressed on Home Missions by the Secretary of the Board, Rev. Dr. C. E. Schaeffer, Rev. John C. Horning, Rev. D. A. Souders, Rev. J. C. Walenta, Rev. Wm. Diekmann, first missionary to the Jews, Dr. James I. Good, Rev. J. Friedli and Dr. C. F. Kriete.

The report was finally adopted as a whole.

8. FOURTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: In presenting its fourth triennial report to you, your Board of Ministerial Relief desires to express its gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the blessings which have come to us, for the increased support which we have received from the Church and for the assistance which we have been able to render to the aged and disabled ministers and widows of our Church.

MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

The Board consists of twelve members, ministers and elders representing the District Synods.

The Board is elected by General Synod, and does its work under the control of Synod. Its funds are available to all needy ministers and widows of deceased ministers in the Reformed Church.

The members of the Board during the past three years are as follows:

Eastern Synod.—Rev. Wallace Wotring, D. D.; Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D.; and Elder Charles Leinbach.

Potomac Synod.—Rev. John L. Barnhart; Elder Dr. E. H. Shullenberger.

Ohio Synod.—Rev. Phillip Vollmer, D. D.

Pittsburgh Synod.—Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D.

Synod of the Northwest.—Rev. H. C. Nott, D. D.; Elder H. E. Shortemeier.

Central Synod.—Rev. L. C. Rettig.

German Synod of the East.—Rev. F. W. Berleman, D. D.

Synod of the Interior.—Rev. T. F. Stauffer, D. D.

The following are the officers of the Board:

President.—Rev. Philip Vollmer, D. D.

Vice-President.—Rev. Wallace Wotring, D. D.

Secretary-Treasurer.—Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D.

CO-OPERATION WITH THE TWO SOCIETIES

Your Board has worked in perfect accord with the two societies during the triennium.

We have exchanged lists of those receiving aid with Rev. S. S. Miller, of Frederick, Md., the secretary of the Relief Society, at least once each year, and we keep said lists on file for reference in taking up new applications.

FUNDS RECEIVED AND EXPENDED

The Church at large has supported our work in a very substantial way, so that we have not only been able to continue the support of those under our care, but also to increase the amount given to some who have become helpless with age and also to give aid to an ever increasing number of our aged ministers and widows.

During the past three years we have been able to care for thirty-four ministers and forty-one widows, seventy-five in all. This is an increase of eleven over the previous period. The lowest sum to an annuitant was fifty dollars and the highest four hundred dollars.

MEETINGS OF BOARD

The Board has met once each year for receiving the reports of officers—granting of relief, conference, and the transaction of general business.

When the Board is not in session all applications for benefits are passed upon by the officers and the executive committee.

TERMS OF MEMBERS EXPIRED

The term of service of the following members of the Board expire with this meeting of the General Synod, and their successors are to be selected from the membership of the same Synods which they represent:

Rev. Philip Vollmer, D. D.
 Rev. Wallace Wotring, D. D.
 Elder C. H. Leinbach.
 Rev. H. C. Nott, D. D.
 Rev. John Barnhart.
 Rev. L. C. Rettig.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your Board recommends that the sum of ten cents per member be apportioned for the relief work of our Church during the coming triennium.

This recommendation is endorsed by the General Synod's Stewardship Committee.

Your Board calls the attention of ministers to the need of presenting the subject of relief to their congregations at least once each year and urges them to give the people an opportunity to contribute to this most worthy cause.

Your Board recommends the annuity plan now in use in the Presbyterian Church for adoption by the body. This plan is as follows:

GENERAL SYNOD'S BOARD OF RELIEF SUBMITS THIS PLAN FOR
 THE REFORMED CHURCH

Provisions of the Fund

Every licensed or ordained minister (in the Reformed Church in the United States) in good and regular standing, not over sixty years of age, is entitled to join the Sustentation Fund, provided an application has been duly made on blank furnished for that purpose, accompanied by the remittance of the first annual, semi-annual or quarterly payment. Copies for the use of applicants may be secured from any one of the field representatives or from the general office.

All members' rates are due and payable in advance, whether annual, semi-annual or quarterly. Every member of the fund shall be entitled, in the payment of his rate, to thirty (30) days of grace without interest or to sixty (60) days of grace with interest at 5 per cent, from the date upon which it is due to the date of payment. If any member fails to pay his rate on or before sixty days after the date upon which it is due, he shall become a delinquent member and his certificate of benefits shall become thereby null and void except in the following particulars, to wit: that he shall be entitled to surrender it and to receive therefor a certificate for a paid-up annuity, or a cash benefit and the certificate of a paid-up annuity as provided for in the provisions for withdrawal.

In case a delinquent member fails to surrender his original certificate of benefits for the certificate of his withdrawal benefits, the amount of his paid-up annuity shall immediately be determined by the actuary on the basis of payments made, and his name shall be removed from the list of members in good standing and shall be placed upon a delinquent list. In the event that a delinquent member should become disabled under the provisions of the fund constituting disability, or should die, there shall be paid to him, or on his behalf, the paid-up annuity benefits which have already been actually determined upon, upon the basis of his payments made until the time of his delinquency.

It is further provided that a delinquent member shall be permitted to become reinstated upon the payment of all rates that may be delinquent, with interest at 5 per cent. from the date upon which the payment was due to the date of its payment, when accompanied by satisfactory medical certificate, both of which must be received by the Fund on or before one year from the date upon which the payment of his rate was due. In case the medical certificate is not satisfactory to the directors of the fund, the delinquent member shall be so notified and given the privileges of withdrawal as outlined above.

Whenever a delinquent member of the fund who has failed to become reinstated within one year, as provided above, makes a new application for membership in the fund, he shall surrender his original certificate, or his paid-up certificate of withdrawal benefits, and receive therefor a cash value, actuarially and equitably estimated, to be applied upon the payment of his rates under the new application.

Every member must continue to pay into the fund annually, until he is seventy years of age, or until disabled before that time, the same sum which he pays the year he enters the fund. Disability according to the provisions of the fund is construed as permanent, and means either physical or mental incapacity for the active service of the ministry, as judged by a registered physician. Upon such judgment, subject to the rules of the fund, the stated clerk of the Classis shall issue to him a "Certificate of Disablement." The members' rate at every age (which should be reckoned from the nearest birthday) will be found later. The regular payment of the members' rate secures a guaranteed annuity of one-fifth of the maximum annuity. As the Church increases its contributions to the fund the maximum will more nearly and more speedily be reached.

The regular annual payment by the member of the amount specified will procure for him the maximum pension benefit to be continued during his lifetime. Of this maximum, one-fifth is provided by the investment in a reserve fund of the member's own payments into the Fund; the full balance of the maximum will be provided only as all other contributions to the fund have increased so as to provide a reserve fund for the other four-fifths of the

pension. Until that time he will receive his pro rata share of the annuities purchasable by all other contributions to the fund.

1. At the age of seventy years, having served the Church at least thirty years, a maximum annuity or pension benefit of \$500.

2. At the age of seventy, not having served the Church thirty years, a maximum annuity or pension benefit of \$100, and of \$10 additional for each year of service in the ministry of the Reformed Church.

3. At the age of disability, whenever that may occur before the age of seventy years, a maximum annuity or pension benefit of \$100 for the first five years of his ministry and \$10 for each additional year of service.

As the contributions to the fund increase the amount of the benefits will more nearly approach the contemplated maximum. The permanency of the fund is secured, since it does not promise to its annuitants any more than its resources justify.

In case of the death of a minister who is a member of the fund, there is guaranteed to the widow, so long as she lives and remains unmarried, an annuity equal to three-fifths of what would be due and payable to the minister, providing always that the minimum amount of such annuity shall be \$100. In case of her death or remarriage, the annuity accruing to the widow will be divided equally between the minor child or children, each to receive its share until it reaches its majority, when the fund will be no longer under obligation to him or her.

From the above it will be seen that the member is required to pay a sum equivalent to 20 per cent. of the sum necessary to secure the maximum annuity or pension as outlined above. In order to provide for the maximum annuity possible in each case, the Church at large, through gifts and legacies, is being asked, under the instruction of the General Synod, to contribute so generously that the maximum annuity or pension in every case may be provided, thus supplementing the member's partial provision with the completed provision of the whole Church. According as gifts increase to this department the maximum will be approached. It should be noted, that even 20 per cent. of the maximum annuity guarantees a larger return to the member upon his investment than is offered upon a like investment by life insurance and annuity companies. The Fund is not conducted for profit, but for the benefit of its members and beneficiaries. The campaign for one million dollars will help the sustentation department greatly by permitting the Fund to provide the maximum pension for its members.

In case any member desires at any time to withdraw from the Fund, he may do so by relinquishing his certificate of membership, whereupon he will be entitled to receive a paid-up pension annuity which will become due under the regular conditions of the Fund. This paid-up annuity will be for such a sum as his payments, plus his pro rata share of all other payments to the Fund, up to the time

of his withdrawal, have produced; the same to be actuarially and equitably estimated. In case he desires to receive a cash payment instead of a paid-up pension annuity, he will be entitled to receive all the accumulations of the cash proceeds of his own contributions, plus a paid-up pension annuity for his pro rate share of the accumulations of all the other contributions to the Fund up to the time of his withdrawal, the same to be actuarially and equitably estimated.

Whenever a member of the Fund ceases to be a member of Classis, or whenever a member of the Fund demits the ministry, or retires from the service of the Church, he shall be entitled to receive all the accumulations of the cash proceeds of his own contributions, the same to be actuarially and equitably estimated up to the date of his withdrawal, and shall automatically forfeit all claim to further benefit.

The benefits of the Fund do not depend in any way upon the members' income from other sources.

The estate of a member of the Fund who dies leaving no widow or minor child has no equity in the Fund. The amount he has paid becomes, at his death, an asset of the Fund.

Options are not allowed. A member must take all the benefits or none, for they are mutually dependent and, taken together, serve greatly to reduce the total cost.

The amount of the annual premium which a member is required to pay upon becoming a member of the Fund remains unchanged, with this provision, that the Fund reserves the right, if deemed necessary, to make a readjustment of the rates at the end of every five years.

Payments by members cease at disability or at seventy years of age.

All ministers are, by the order of the General Synod, to be encouraged to unite with the sustentation department so far as they are able to do so. Young men seeking ordination to the ministry at the hands of the Reformed Church "are to be confronted," by the order of the General Synod, "with the solemn and sacred expectation of the Church that they shall begin at once to provide for their own old age or for their dependents by making regular contributions during the time of their active ministry."

Incidental benefits of the Sustentation Fund will accrue both to churches and ministers. To churches from the fact that their pastors can do more and better work when once relieved of distressing anxiety as to the means of support in the event of disability or old age and of anxiety as to a provision for their widows and minor children in the event of their death. To the ministers of one of its benefits will be the virtual wiping out of what is called the "dead line," for churches will not hesitate to call to their pastorate men of ability and experience, past middle life, when assured that in case of disability or when reaching the age of retirement they will not become a charge upon them.

ANNUAL, SEMI-ANNUAL, QUARTERLY PAYMENTS

The following rates indicate the amount which must be paid in regular installments. The minister continues to pay the rate corresponding to his age at entrance. Age is reckoned from nearest birthday. All payments cease at disability or age 70.

Age	Annual	Semi-Annual	Quarterly
21	\$17.13	\$8.52	\$4.54
22	16.89	8.70	4.50
23	16.80	8.65	4.37
24	16.82	8.51	4.38
25	16.93	8.72	4.49
26	17.11	8.81	4.54
27	17.35	8.94	4.60
28	17.67	9.10	4.68
29	18.04	9.29	4.78
30	18.46	9.51	4.89
31	18.93	9.75	5.02
32	19.47	10.03	5.16
33	20.06	10.33	5.31
34	20.69	10.66	5.50
35	21.40	11.02	5.67
36	22.16	11.41	5.87
37	22.99	11.84	6.09
38	23.89	12.30	6.33
39	24.81	12.78	6.57
40	25.89	13.33	6.86
41	27.01	13.91	7.16
42	28.44	14.65	7.54
43	29.55	15.22	7.83
44	30.97	15.95	8.21
45	32.52	16.75	8.62
46	34.21	17.62	9.07
47	36.06	18.57	9.56
48	38.08	19.61	10.09
49	40.29	20.75	10.68
50	42.74	22.01	11.33
51	45.45	23.41	12.04
52	48.44	24.95	12.84
53	51.77	26.68	13.72
54	55.53	28.60	14.72
55	59.77	30.78	15.84
56	64.61	33.27	17.12
57	70.19	36.15	18.60
58	76.71	39.51	20.33
59	84.42	43.48	22.37
60	93.69	48.25	24.83

TABLE OF RATES—SINGLE PAYMENT

The single payments when made entitle ministers to all the benefits of the Fund without further payments.

Age at entrance	Ministers' rates	Age at entrance	Ministers' rates	Age at entrance	Ministers' rates
21	\$351.67	35	\$385.41	49	\$516.41
22	345.88	36	392.50	50	528.95
23	342.92	37	399.99	51	542.48

24	341.84	38	407.81	52	556.21
25	342.14	39	415.32	53	570.86
26	343.58	40	424.48	54	586.12
27	345.76	41	433.21	55	602.16
28	348.66	42	442.29	56	618.76
29	352.15	43	451.80	57	635.95
30	356.45	44	461.50	58	653.78
31	361.28	45	471.59	59	672.55
32	366.69	46	482.17	60	692.39
33	372.54	47	493.02		
34	378.75	48	504.39		

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS FROM MAY 1, 1916, TO MAY 1, 1917

SUMMARY

Eastern Synod.....	\$4426.49
Ohio Synod.....	2168.23
Northwest Synod.....	125.65
Pittsburgh Synod.....	176.33
Potomac Synod.....	424.17
German Synod of the East.....	331.46
Central Synod.....	723.71
Interior Synod.....	428.86
Southwest Synod.....	150.15
Investments, et cetera.....	2440.97

ANNUAL STATEMENT, MAY 1, 1916, TO MAY 1, 1917

Receipts

Balance from last year.....	\$1,207.17
Interest.....	662.86
Royalties.....	487.34
Churches and individuals.....	10,210.20
Total.....	\$12,567.57

Disbursements

Paid for relief.....	\$7,607.80
Invested.....	2,440.97
Total.....	\$10,048.77
Expenses—	
Cost of annual meeting.....	\$105.75
Traveling.....	37.20
Printing report.....	82.98
General Synod's Stewardship Committee....	35.96
Printing, Postage, Salary.....	375.95
Total.....	\$637.84
Total disbursements.....	\$10,685.61
Balance.....	1,881.96

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The following is the treasurer's report for the triennium:

Funds invested May 1, 1914.....	\$8,787.00
Funds invested from May 1, 1914, to May, 1917.....	4,185.72

Receipts

Cash on hand May 1, 1914.....	\$246.26
Cash received May 1, 1914, to May 1, 1915.....	6,695.94
Cash received May 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916.....	8,409.91
Cash received May 1, 1916, to May 1, 1917.....	11,360.40
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	\$26,712.51

Disbursements

Invested May 1, 1914, to May 1, 1915.....	\$817.25
Invested May 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916.....	927.50
Invested May 1, 1916, to May 1, 1917.....	2,440.97

Total.....	\$4,185.72
Paid for Relief May 1, 1914, to May 1, 1915...	\$5,040.59
Paid for Relief May 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916...	6,154.00
Paid for Relief May 1, 1916, to May 1, 1917...	7,607.80

Total.....	\$18,802.39
Expenses May 1, 1914, to May 1, 1915.....	\$640.87
Expenses May 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916.....	564.34
Expenses May 1, 1916, to May 1, 1917.....	637.84

Total.....	\$1,843.05
Total.....	\$24,831.05
Balance.....	1,881.46

\$26,712.51

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP VOLLMER, *President*.
J. W. MEMINGER, *Secretary*.

Report of Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: We hereby present the triennial report of the Treasurer and Solicitor of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, the most prosperous triennium in the history of the Society. We feel that we have been able to bring relief to many who have grown old in the work and to those who have been called upon to give up loved ones. We look forward to the future with strong hope that God will greatly strengthen the work for the year to come.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY NELSON BASSLER,
President.

CHARTER OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

Rev. Harry N. Bassler, President, Harrisburg, Pa.

Rev. Frederick A. Rupley, Jr., Vice President, York, Pa.

Rev. David N. Dittmar, Secretary, Mann's Choice, Pa.
 Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.
 Rev. E. L. McLean, Adressor, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Rev. D. J. Wolf, Adressor, Apollo, Pa.

HONORARY VICE PRESIDENTS

Rev. Chas. A. Santee, D.D.....Eastern Synod
 Rev. I. N. Peightel, D. D.....Potomac Synod
 Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D.....Pittsburgh Synod
 Rev. Jas. A. Freeman.....Ohio Synod
 Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D.....Central Synod
 Rev. J. S. Kosower.....German Synod of the East
 Rev. Frank Grether, D. D.....Synod of the Northwest
 Rev. J. N. Naly.....Synod of the Interior
 Rev. H. H. Kattmann.....Synod of the Southwest

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Eastern Synod.....	\$ 8,886.89
Potomac Synod.....	3,165.28
Pittsburgh Synod.....	1,404.63
German Synod of the East.....	560.98
Central Synod.....	221.00
Ohio Synod.....	77.98
Synod of the Northwest.....	13.27
Synod of the Southwest.....	15.00
Synod of the Interior.....	51.16
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	\$14,396.19
Loans Paid.....	32,150.00
Interest on Loans.....	13,458.15
Bequests.....	9,750.00
Church Hymnal (Royalty).....	1,397.26
Sunday-school Hymnal (Royalty).....	145.50
Personal Gifts.....	874.14
Bethany Orphans' Home.....	54.17
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	\$72,225.41
Balance on Hand, May 1, 1914.....	5,985.19
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	\$78,210.60

EXPENDITURES

Reinvested.....	\$32,150.00
New Investments.....	12,437.88
Paid to 89 Annuitants (29 ministers and 60 widows)	24,711.00
Expenses of the Society.....	3,010.00
Cash in Treasury, May 1, 1917.....	5,901.72
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	\$78,210.60

ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY

Invested Fund.....	\$99,867.00
Cash in Treasury, May 1, 1917.....	5,901.72
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	\$105,768.72

Report of the Standing Committee on Ministerial Relief

This report was presented to Synod on Friday and was acted upon item by item. It reads as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Ministerial Relief respectfully submits their report as follows:

Nine documents were referred to our Committee:

1. The fourth triennial report of the Board of Ministerial Relief of the Reformed Church in the United States.

2. The financial report of the Society for the Relief of the Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States.

3. A brief financial statement of the Society for Relief for the Ministers and Teachers of the Synod of the Northwest

4. Overtures as follows:

(a) From Maryland Classis of Potomac Synod.

(b) Tuscarawas Classis of Ohio Synod.

(c) Reading Classis, Eastern Synod.

(d) New York Classis, German Synod of the East.

(e) Indiana Classis, Synod of the Northwest.

(f) Philadelphia Classis, Eastern Synod.

The reports of the Boards for the triennium reveal the most commendable progress in the work of the various Societies and Boards. The amount of money contributed for this purpose totals about \$77,000.00, and the number of ministers and widows to whom relief was extended, not including the Society for Relief for Ministers and Teachers of the Synod of the Northwest, is sixty-three ministers and one hundred and one widows.

The increase in the financial report for this cause in the last year in the triennium reveals the growing favor of the cause with the Church. We commend the splendid showing also of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows as evidenced in their financial report. The splendid spirit existing in the Board and various Societies is a matter for deep gratitude and prophecies better things ahead.

Your Committee respectfully recommends action as follows:

1. We recommend that the Societies for Relief be requested to report to General Synod through its Board, in order that the reports in their entirety are in hand for publication in the reports of General Synod in the Blue Book.

2. We recommend that the General Synod respectfully requests the Classes through the Synods to apportion for the relief work of the Church, for the coming triennium, the sum of ten cents per member.

3. We recommend that General Synod call the attention of the pastors and consistories through the Classes to the need of presenting the subject of relief to their congregations at least once each year, and urge them to give the membership an opportunity to contribute to this cause.

4. We recommend in response to the overtures of the several Classes and the recommendations of the Board, the adoption of the Annuity Plan similar to that in force in the Presbyterian Church.

5. We recommend in this Annuity Plan in the matter of readjustment rates, (page 185, last page Blue Book) that no readjustment be made save upon the recommendation of the Board and the approval of General Synod.

6. We recommend that the Board be given the authority to put the plan in operation at the earliest possible moment.

7. We recommend that the attention of the ministry and consistory be given to the presentation of the distinction between the relief work and the Annuity Plan in order that the relief work may be worthily maintained.

8. We recommend that the members of the Board whose term expires with this meeting of the General Synod (page 182, Blue Book) in addition with the name of Rev. F. W. Berleman, German Synod of the East, be referred to the Committee on Nominations and their successors be selected from the membership of the same Synod which they represent.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST N. EVANS,

J. ALBERT EYLER,	MILTON WARNER,
C. A. ALBRIGHT,	ED. R. SCHERR.

Action was taken on this report as follows: The items were severally adopted. Following addresses, made by Dr. Philip Vollmer and Dr. J. W. Meminger, the report was finally adopted as a whole.

9. TENTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF PUBLICATION AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH

*To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States,
Dayton, Ohio, May 16, 1917.*

The three years ending March 31, 1917, were in many respects years of progress for which we give thanks to God.

We begin our report by calling attention to certain outstanding features of the work which are presented more fully under the several departments.

TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF GROWTH

Twenty-one years ago the meeting of the General Synod in Dayton, Ohio, was marked by several days of discussion which resulted

in an action authorizing its Sunday School Board, if suitable arrangements could be made, to publish the Sunday School literature for the Church. It will be of interest to note that within two months following this action the Board consolidated the English Sunday School publications issued by private publishers east and west and began the work of publication for the Church at large. Up to that period the English publication interests had been conducted at a loss. Practically all that was handed over to the Board was the good will and the circulation of competitive publications east and west which, separately, were a financial loss.

Twenty-one years ago the sales of the Board the first year were less than twenty thousand dollars and the combined sales of the publishing interests were less than forty thousand dollars.

This last year the total sales were \$172,482.83.

Twenty-one years ago the cash capital was nothing. The Board began its business department by borrowing \$1700. This year's report shows a capital in the business department of \$72,499.20. with real estate owned by the Board at a cost value of \$280,000 against which there is a mortgage indebtedness of \$50,000 and a floating indebtedness of \$32,234.69, part of which has been liquidated since this report was prepared.

During this period the business department has appropriated out of its annual earnings, for the work of the educational and Sunday school missionary department, \$15,143.88. It has invested out of the earnings of the business department in the real estate of the Board \$53,127.06. It has paid in royalties to the ministerial relief agencies for the Sunday School hymnal \$1834.69 and on the Church hymnal \$5998.95.

Twenty-one years ago the number of Sunday School periodicals and Sunday School papers, including the "Reformed Church Messenger" and the "Reformed Church Review," was sixteen. The Board is now publishing a total of fifty-one periodicals.

The Sunday School membership twenty-one years ago was 192,554 with a communicant church membership of 226,572. Last year the Sunday School membership was 346,657, a gain of 154,103 in twenty-one years, while the church membership was reported at 326,112, a gain of 99,540 for the same period.

During this period in the educational and missionary department 55 schools were organized, twelve reorganized and from which 33 congregations started and grants of literature were made to 1101 schools. Higher standards have been erected and a great advance has been made in teacher training.

These figures are encouraging, but they do not begin to tell of the religious and educational and, more important still, spiritual results due to the better organization, more careful supervision and higher standards established for the Sunday School work and educational interests of the Church.

During this period almost a complete revolution has taken place in the attitude of the Church toward the Sunday School as a religious educational institution. The claims of childhood and youth have been recognized as never before. It is fair to say that our Reformed Church justly values the organized Sunday School work, and, with the resources at hand, the demands of the hour for a still greater advance must be met.

PROFITS IN BUSINESS

On the business side of the Board's operation, unremitting attention has been given to methods and accounting and to rendering helpful service. The net proceeds of the triennium are \$24,466.97. In addition \$1843.41 have been paid as royalty on the Church hymnal and the Sunday School hymnal, to the cause of ministerial relief. The Board's policy in the distribution of its profits and further information regarding the business department will appear under the head of the business department and the tabulated financial reports. (See pages 148-177.)

THE REAL ESTATE

It is cause for thankfulness to be able to report that the mortgage indebtedness on the real estate, which was \$103,000 three years ago, has been reduced to \$50,000. Twenty-five thousand dollars of the reduction, it is expected, however, will be liquidated by the Children's Endowment Fund, on which interest will be paid to the educational and missionary department.

Progress has been made during the triennium toward the erection of the Schaff building, approval of which was given at the last General Synod. With the removal of the entire mortgage indebtedness upon the present property it will be possible for the Board to erect a 12-story office building and to provide greatly needed room for the growth of the Boards as well as to secure an adequate income by which gradually to pay off the indebtedness upon the new building.

THE EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

This work is supported by the annual freewill offerings of the churches and Sunday Schools on Children's Day and by individual gifts, invested funds, bequests and the appropriation from the earnings of the business department to cover the administrative expenses.

The receipts for the last three years have shown a small but gradual increase. The General Synod authorized and urgently recommended the securing of \$15,000 a year for the support of this most important work, but it will be noticed that the receipts have been one-half this amount and that the expenditures have exceeded the receipts so that the department at the present time is in debt to the amount of \$4500. Detailed reports and suggestions con-

cerning this department are found on page 152. The Board expresses its appreciation of the coöperation of pastors, Synodical Boards and Classical Sunday School committees. It is especially pleasant to report increasing interest and hearty cooperation in the several German Synods of the Church.

A noteworthy feature of the work has been the Sunday School Increase Campaign commemorating the 400th anniversary of the Reformation. The plans of this campaign were approved by the Board and approval given by the Classes last spring and by the District Synods last fall, based upon the several actions of the General Synod three years ago. It is too soon to tabulate the results of the work, but it is evident that the fundamental teachings of the Reformation and the heroic work of the reformers and the importance of religious education, have been brought to the attention of thousands of our church members and Sunday School workers. The four-fold aim of the Sunday School Increase Campaign is:

A gain in Sunday School Membership of 20%.

Increase in Average Attendance of 70%.

The Attainment of the Ten Points of the Standard of Efficiency.

The establishment of the Children's Endowment Fund of \$100,000, by the issue of 20,000 five dollar Participating Shares to individuals, classes and Sunday School.

The Children's Endowment Fund is to be held as a trust fund and the annual income to be used to start new Sunday Schools, to aid weak and destitute schools and to help the religious educational work of all the schools of the Church. Pastors and Sunday School workers, Classical Sunday School Committees, Synodical Sunday School Boards have entered heartily into the work. The Board has furnished a large amount of free literature the cost of which, amounting to \$5000, has been met by an appropriation from the earnings of the business department of the Board.

It is proposed to continue the Sunday School Increase Campaign during the Reformation Anniversary period, to October 31, 1917, and doubtless many of our schools will find it desirable to continue it to April 1, 1918.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP

The total Sunday School membership for the year ending April 1, 1916, is 346,657; 688 home departments with a membership of 19,229; 1010 cradle rolls with a membership of 25,932. It is hoped that the total Sunday School membership will reach 400,000 during this anniversary period.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

The work of the editorial department has greatly enlarged during the past three years by reason of the introduction of the De-

partmental Graded Lessons, edited and published in coöperation with the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches of the Council of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System.

Sixteen new books have been issued during the triennium and two song books: Beginner's and Primary Songs and Uplifting Songs for devotional use, Young People's Societies, etc. Among the books issued are: "The Heidelberg Catechism in its Newest Light," by James I. Good, D. D.; "Outline Studies on the Church," Parts I, II, III and IV, for Advanced Heidelberg Teacher Training Course, by Rev. Conrad A. Hauser, Rev. Theo. P. Bollinger and various authors in the Reformed Church; "Life and Letters of John Philip Boehm," by Prof. Wm. J. Hinke, D. D.; "The Light of Parnell," by John W. Appel; "The Lad I Used to Be," by Lynn Harbaugh; "The Supreme Revelation," by Prof. Wm. C. Schaeffer, D. D.; and a number of books published for the Boards of Missions and authors. The books and periodicals published during the year appear on pages 161-168. The grand total of copies of books, periodicals, music material, requisities, etc., issued during the three years is 24,312,105.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

While the work of the Board includes church publications of all kinds and it is its function to serve the Church and all its varied organizations yet, as the name of the Board indicates, a large part of the work relates to the Sunday School. It is gratifying to note that as an institution of religious education the Sunday School is growing in importance every year. A new conception of its place and function is recognized. Instead of being an organization existing apart it is now being looked upon as the center of a well articulated system of religious education within the local church. It is a necessary complement to supply the lack of religious instruction in and to make effective the work of the public school. This changing conception will undoubtedly make the Sunday School or the Church School as it is coming to be called, a most important instrument in religious education. The Board, through its representatives, in accordance with the action of the General Synod, has kept in the closest possible touch with the workings of the International Lesson Committee, the Sunday School Council of all the denominations and other international bodies. These, as well as the National Educational Association and Church Boards of Publication are stressing more and more the importance of religious education in the home and the Sunday School and in correlation with the educational institutions of the Church and of the State.

THE RECORD OF WORK

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

The work of manufacturing, marketing and sales is centered at the main office in Philadelphia, the Central Publishing House, Cleveland, Ohio, acting as the western depository and agent of the Board. The Board of Publication and Bible School Work of the Reformed Church in America continues in close coöperative relations, receiving an imprint edition of the Uniform Lesson Periodicals. Under the title of Heidelberg Press a large volume of business is transacted with other Church Boards, particularly in the Church, Sunday School Supply and Music Departments.

SALES

The sales have increased each year and the total sales for all departments for the three years were \$480,178.07, a gain of \$112,-989.37 over the sales of the preceding triennium.

NET PROFITS

The net profits of the three years are \$24,466.97. In addition \$1843.41 has been paid as royalty on the Church hymnal and Sunday School hymnal for the cause of ministerial relief.

CAPITAL

The capital at the beginning of the triennium, according to the balance sheet of last report was \$58,465.19. During this period \$10,000 has been appropriated from the earnings of the business department and paid on account of Reformed Church building. Two thousand dollars was appropriated to the educational and missionary department and five thousand dollars on account of expenses of the Sunday School Increase Campaign. Capital reported March 31, 1917, is \$71,156.06, with a reserve fund of \$3600.

PUBLICATION

According to the statement found on page 169 there have been published during the triennium 3,489,924 copies of books, festival services, requisites, etc., 20,822,181 copies of periodicals, 5000 copies of the last triennial report, making an aggregate of 24,317,105 copies for the three years.

SERVICE THE OBJECT OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

It is well to remember that the Business Department of the Board, with its competent departmental heads and its accumulated experience, is maintained not for the purpose of making money, but to render service to the Church, the Periodical Department, the Book Department, Church and Sunday School Department, the Music Department, the Special Sales Department, each and all striving to act as a Bureau of Information and to aid the Consistory, the Sunday School and all other organizations of the congregation, as well as pastors and church members.

The policy with reference to the earnings is to provide a sufficient increase in capital each year so as to meet the needs of the Church and the growing demands of the business. It goes without saying that to meet the rapidly increasing expenses incident to the increased cost of paper, printing and manufacturing, salaries, etc., it is necessary to constantly increase the sales. The coöperation, therefore, of all is solicited in order to render the best service and to aid in the work of the Church. It should never be forgotten that the business department each year makes generous appropriations for the benefit of the churches and schools.

THE REFORMED CHURCH MESSENGER

The Board has spared no expense to increase the circulation of the "Reformed Church Messenger" and the advertising receipts. This has been done because the larger circulation of the "Messenger" is of the greatest possible aid to the work of the local congregation and to all the general interests of the Church. The circulation now exceeds 11,000 copies weekly. The advertising receipts have considerably increased. Owing to the great expense of securing new subscribers and the large number of discontinuances as well as to other difficulties facing all weekly church papers, it will be noted that the "Messenger" is far from self-support. The deficit has been as follows:

For the year ending March 31, 1915.....	\$1980.73
For the year ending March 31, 1916.....	3052.46
For the year ending March 31, 1917.....	4600.59
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Total for the triennium.....	\$9633.78

The large loss the last two years is traceable to the heavy commissions paid to secure new subscribers and to overcome losses in discontinuance of subscribers. The Board furnishes large advertising space free to all the Boards and institutions of the Church. In church papers of other denominations this space is paid for. The cost of paper has risen. This item of added cost of paper necessitates the slight advance in subscription from \$1.75 to \$2.00.

We believe the "Messenger" should be the representative organ of the entire Church. Large amounts should be spent upon the editorial work of the paper and the Board should be given a free hand in making the "Messenger" still more widely helpful to the Church and Kingdom. An endowment fund should be secured for the "Messenger" so as to relieve the Board and to justify the hundreds of dollars of space given to missionary and benevolent interests of the Church. An endowment for the "Messenger" is proper also because the mission of the Church paper is distinctly religious and benevolent.

The Board regrets to report that since December, 1914, the editor of the "Reformed Church Messenger," Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D. D., has been because of sickness unable to assume the responsi-

bility of the duties of his office. The Board has sympathized with the editor in his disability, has continued his salary during this period and arranged for the temporary editing. Great praise is due Rev. A. S. Bromer, who, as managing editor, has arduously and ably carried the burden of the work. At the request of the Board the three Synods—Eastern, Potomac and Pittsburgh—in the fall of the year 1916, appointed an editorial commission with plenary power. This commission has had but one meeting, but has not taken any action. All matters relating to the editor of the "Reformed Church Messenger" are at present in the hands of the editorial commission. The Eastern, Potomac and Pittsburgh Synods according to terms of consolidation have the power to elect the editor, and this power until the fall was delegated to the editorial commission. Pastors and consistories should make every possible effort to circulate the Church papers and literature.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

The most important feature of progress was the issue January 1, 1915, of the Departmental Graded Lessons, representing nine new periodicals for the beginners', primary and junior departments. This is a modified course of the Closely Graded Lessons so arranged as to give the use of one year's series in each grade for all the scholars of that particular grade. This departmental series has been inaugurated in coöperation with the publishing agencies of the Council of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System. It has been an expensive experiment, especially in initial cost of setting up the first two years of the series, but there has been some advance in the circulation and we are now almost at the point where the returns approximate the publication cost. Departmental Graded Lessons for the intermediate department will be issued under this plan in October, 1917. We are strongly of the opinion that these Departmental Lessons are far better suited to the needs and conditions of our schools than the Closely Graded Series. The Board, however, continues to furnish to such schools as desire them the Closely Graded Series of lessons, issuing a number of these periodicals under its own imprint.

It will be of interest to state that in 1918, under the direction of the International Lessons Committee, a New Uniform Lesson Series, called the "Improved Uniform Lessons" will be issued and used in our schools. The "Improved Uniform" embodies the principle of departmental grading. There will be a central uniform lesson passage, uniform title and Golden Text and parallel with this will be shorter and smaller passages with topics and memory verses grouped around a central lesson for use in the several departments.

The circulation of our Uniform Lesson Series continues to hold its own, with a slight increase notwithstanding the introduction of the Departmental Graded Lessons and the use of the Closely Graded Lessons. It is gratifying to report also that our Sunday School

papers "The Way" for young people, "Leaves of Light" for boys and girls, and "Sunshine" for the little ones, continue to make a slight increase in circulation. By reference to the detailed reports of circulation of periodicals, it will be noticed that several million copies are circulated each year. It is only proper to say that the Church is greatly indebted to the long and faithful and efficient services of the Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart, D. D., as editor of our Sunday School Papers. His sympathy with the young, his fine editorial judgment in the selection of an appropriate material for the several ages and his ability as a writer, deserve the highest commendation.

Mention should be made of the fact that the Board has employed various editorial writers, pastors and others who have rendered faithful service. The secretary of the Board has acted as general editor of all the Sunday School periodicals and serves as the representative of the Reformed Church on the International Lessons Committee. The editorial work of the Board is constantly increasing. The time is at hand when additional editorial help should be given. No other Church Board having the number of periodicals and the volume of business equal to that of ours, carries forward its work at such a small expense. In other words, at least one editor is elected giving his entire time to the editing and supervision of the Sunday School periodicals.

The arrangements continue with the Central Publishing House by which one almanac and year book is now issued for the entire Reformed Church. For this year the almanac has been enlarged in order to aid in the proper emphasis of the cause of education as a part of the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the Reformation.

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

The Reformed Church Building and the adjoining property owned by the Board is cared for in this department. All the offices in the building are rented and the rental income has increased. The annual earnings of the building have been applied to the reduction of the indebtedness. In addition, the remission of rents for space used for general church purposes and by the Boards amounts to \$11,459.50 for the triennium. The indebtedness on the property had been steadily reduced by the appropriation of earnings from the building itself, by the appropriation of \$10,000 from the earnings of the business department and by gifts and annuities.

Three years ago the mortgage indebtedness was \$103,000. It is now \$50,000—a reduction of \$53,000 during the triennium. The total cost of the real estate owned by the Board, including the amount invested in the building on a rental basis by the Fairmount Savings Trust Company, exceeds \$280,000. It is hoped to pay off the floating indebtedness of \$25,000, and the mortgage indebtedness of \$50,000 by the receipts of the Children's Endowment Fund. When the entire mortgage indebtedness has been liquidated it will

be possible for the Board to proceed with the erection of the Schaff building.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the receipt of \$2216.52 as a result of the Schaff Civic Week held in Philadelphia Nov. 27 to Dec. 2, under the auspices of the members of the Reformed churches of Philadelphia and vicinity and the leadership of the Women's Social Union of Philadelphia. As a direct result of the program for this week a Reformation Pageant was prepared which has since been rendered in various Reformed Church centers and which has now been published by the Board. The net proceeds from the rendition of the pageant, in these places, are given to the Board in consideration of furnishing the pageant material and the services of a director of the pageant. It may be well to mention that a Committee of the Council of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System has been appointed by the council for the purpose of securing a fund of \$300,000 to be known as the "Philip Schaff Church Unity Fund," the money to be invested in the building on a loan basis, offices of the fund to be located in the building and the income to be used for the purpose of further developing the work of closer relations and federated work of the council and its churches.

EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

It is well to remember that the Board has three separate and distinct treasuries: one the business department, one the real estate department, one the educational and missionary department. The book-keeping for each of these departments is separate. The income of the business department is dependent upon its sales; the income of the real estate department upon its rentals; the income of the educational and missionary department, through the free will offerings of individuals, schools and churches, given usually on Children's Day, Rally Day or Young People's Day.

All the money contributed to the educational and missionary department is used for that particular work. The only relation which the business department has to the educational and missionary department is in helping to provide funds for its support. The appropriation from the earnings of the business department cannot do more, however, than pay the small administrative expenses. The extent and importance of the work of this department is, therefore, dependent upon the offerings from the Church. The Board cannot too strongly express its conviction that the amount asked for by the last General Synod for this work is the minimum amount needed; namely, \$15,000. This mould provide for the following:

Salaries, expenses of educational superintendent, fieldworkers and Sunday School missionaries.....	\$7,500
Donations of literature, bibles, lesson helps, etc.....	1,500
Printed matter for educational and inspirational work, including Children's Day services for all schools.....	2,500
Young People's and Brotherhood work.....	3,000
Miscellaneous expenses.....	500
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	\$15,000

Every school should consider it a sacred obligation for its own welfare and for the sake of doing the larger Sunday School work for which it is responsible, to make at least one annual freewill offering for the educational and missionary work. This offering should be taken on Children's Day, in view of the fact that the Board furnishes to every school copies of the Children's Day service, free of charge, and because Children's Day is pre-eminently a day which stands for the value of work done in behalf of the child, in the home, in the Sunday School, in the community and in the world at large. It is a growing custom of some of our schools to remember the work of the Board and the young people on Rally Day by combining Rally Day with Young People's Day in the early fall.

From the financial statements given on pages 169-177 it will be noticed that there is still a very large number of schools who failed to make an offering for this work and that it would be easily possible for many schools to give still larger gifts.

The purpose of the Children's Endowment Movement is to increase the annual income of the Educational and Missionary Department and to serve as an object lesson and a reminder to the members of our churches to remember the cause of the moral and religious education of the children in their gifts and by bequests in their wills.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONARY WORK

Fifteen students were enrolled as Sunday School missionaries during the triennium. They labored under the direction of the superintendents of the several Boards of Home Missions, English and German, and of pastors. They have organized new schools, out of which have grown congregations. Hungarian students have been assisted in maintaining summer vacation schools.

This work could be largely increased if the funds permitted and if our pastors and Sunday School workers would follow the plan of organizing mission schools which could serve as out-stations to organized charges. Such out-post schools prove valuable in developing the workers in the charges under which the care of such schools are placed. They give assurance of continuing schools throughout the entire year and furnish the additional advantage of giving the people in these districts pastoral care and oversight. The Board stands ready to help pastors in doing this kind of work.

GRANTS OF LITERATURE

As usual, donations of lesson helps, periodicals, hymnals, etc. have been made to new, weak and destitute Sunday Schools. One hundred and seventy-seven schools have been helped in this way. Many of these schools were enabled to start by means of these special grants. Many are connected with congregations under the Board of Home Missions. The Board finds it difficult to respond to all the calls in this direction. All the leading denominations do an extensive missionary work in giving grants of literature.

It may be well to state that these grants of literature have been made to English, German, Hungarian, Bohemian, Italian schools, as well as to our Orphans' Homes.

HUNGARIAN PERIODICALS

The Hungarian paper "Reformatusok Lapja" continues to be published in cooperation with the Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath School work. It has made encouraging progress. The circulation has increased to 1200 copies weekly. The paper is well received by the Hungarian congregations. Rev. Alexander Harsanyi, Ph. D., pastor of the Reformed Church in Homestead, Pa., is the editor. The "Bible Teacher," a monthly magazine, is also published, the circulation being about 1500 copies monthly. Two thousand sets, quarterly, of bible picture cards are issued in the Hungarian language.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

Rev. Conrad A. Hauser continues as educational superintendent. His services are appreciated throughout all sections of the Church. The educational superintendent maintains a constantly increasing correspondence, his department has issued important new leaflets on various phases of the work, considerable time is spent in the field. Mr. Hauser has taught with great acceptance in the summer Missionary conferences, Sunday School conventions and in the School for Christian Workers and the Deaconess Training School of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, Philadelphia, as well as the Training School for Religious Teachers. In editorial work, teacher training and missionary instruction his labors have been most abundant and fruitful.

Since Oct. 1, 1914, Miss Blanche A. Zieber, a member of the Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., a trained and experienced Sunday School worker, has been employed as fieldworker, charged with the special duty of meeting in individual conference officers and teachers of schools, assisting pastors and workers in the grading of schools, organizing cradle rolls, home departments, teacher training departments, etc. In this personal way Miss Zieber has met hundreds of our pastors and officers and teachers of the Sunday School.

TEACHER TRAINING

The necessity of, providing adequate training for Sunday School teachers is now fully recognized. The Church has come to rely upon the educational department and the record of work performed is encouraging. It is as follows:

	Students	Classes
First year	2,800	425
Second year	3,291	486
Third year	4,717	567

Or a total of 10,808 members in 1478 classes.

Thousands of teacher training examination papers have passed through the office. These indicate the steadily advancing standard on the part of our teachers. Perhaps the most important recent action on the part of the Sunday School Council is that which calls for a new course in teacher training. The action provides for a three year course of 120 lessons and is to take effect as soon as the text books can be had. Outlines for the several years have been prepared and writers are at work. The Board will probably arrange to syndicate this material with the Presbyterian and Reformed bodies. It is felt, however, that while there is a positive demand for the new teacher training course there is still a decided need for the First Standard Course and, therefore, the recommendation is made that classes be given the option between the two courses.

It is gratifying to note that on the advanced training course of the Board, the first edition of the book "Outline Studies of the Bible," numbering 2000 copies, has been exhausted and a second edition, numbering 1000 copies has just come from the press.

It is of the first importance that all who teach in our Sunday Schools be enrolled as rapidly as possible in teacher training courses. It is also of vital importance that the Church challenge capable young people to take courses of instruction in the Phoebe Deaconess Home and Training School, Allentown, Pa., in the School for Christian Workers and the Deaconess Home, etc., Philadelphia, Pa., and the German Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. It is gratifying to know that our Church colleges are giving increasing attention to the training of young men and women for leadership in the churches.

Many of our schools need and ought to employ trained Sunday School workers and deaconesses giving their entire time to the work.

MISSIONARY TRAINING

It is recognized that the Sunday School offers the best opportunity for systematic missionary education. The Board has stressed the missionary standard for the local school and abundance of literature has been distributed bearing on the subject. "Missions in the Sunday School" is the theme which the workers of the Board employ at the summer missionary conferences. If the law of the Sunday School, which is the need of the child, is to be applied in matters of missionary instruction and training, then it is evident that the Church should center her efforts in missionary instruction and training in the several departments of the Sunday School and in a manner adapted to the needs and capacities of growing and impressionable children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INCREASE CAMPAIGN

Mention has been made of the Sunday School Increase Campaign. It may be well to call attention to the fact that 428,250 pieces of literature were sent out in recent months to aid our schools

to worthily commemorate the Reformation anniversary and to develop larger, better and stronger schools. This campaign should be followed up, not only by the pastors and fieldworkers, but also by the establishment of institutes and schools of methods, lasting several days, at which opportunity is given to Sunday School workers to cast their problems into a common melting pot and to be kept posted by competent instructors on the newer developments of the Sunday School work. The denominations pursuing this course are showing the wisdom of it, through corresponding increase in membership and promotion of other Sunday School aims and ideals. As fast as the Board's income warrants it, this step will be taken. Provision should be made for an increased number of fieldworkers in order to adequately meet the needs of the entire Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN HOME AND SCHOOL

We have come to a time when leaders in the church, as well as public school directors, are giving serious thought and making experiments in the matter of more adequate religious education for the young. There are certain principles on which we are all agreed. The Church and the State are to be regarded as distinct institutions. The church is responsible for the religious education of the young. Where coöperation is secured it should be not through corporate relations on the part of Church and State, but through the agency of individual citizens. Public school directors, as well as religious leaders, are coming to see that there should be such division of the child's time as will allow opportunity and strength for religious education and that this division should be reached by consultation between parents and public school authorities, without formal agreement between the State and the Churches as institutions.

The work of religious instruction and training must be done by such institutions as the church, the home and the private school. Church colleges should train their students for leadership in the churches. It is of supreme importance for the welfare of State and Church to have a program of religious education which will include the systematic use of week days, as well as Sundays, for religious instruction and training, and the setting in motion of such influences as will awaken parents to the unparalleled need and opportunity for the religious education of children and youth. If the moral resources of our country are to be conserved then the call must go forth to the church to sacrifice, in time and thought, in effort and money, for the purpose of the religious education of the young. There must be a correlation of the work done in the Sunday School with that done in the home. Every effort should be made by parents, pastors and teachers to bring this about. Parents' classes should be formed. It is well to have mothers' classes in connection with the primary department. The Sunday School, its needs and its importance and the necessity of home co-

operation should be brought constantly and repeatedly before the Church. The Church organization should support the school morally, if not financially. Our congregations in communities should associate together and the congregations in the rural fields should plan to make a larger use of the summer months as a solution of the problems of more time for religious instruction. Religious day schools, for a period of several weeks, have been conducted with marked success. These differ somewhat from the daily vacation bible schools, which are being conducted in the congested centers of our large cities, in that they provide a three hour course of religious instruction available for the children already enrolled in the Sunday School, as well as for any others.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK AND ORGANIZED CLASSES AND DEPARTMENTS IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Your reverend body three years ago, authorized the Board to coöperate with the Mission Boards in establishing a Young People's Department and in securing the services of a secretary to give his entire time. Conferences were held with representatives of the Missionary Boards, on this subject, but the way did not seem to be open to carry out the instructions given. Some attention has been given to Young People's Societies and the organization of chapters of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip.

The question of Young People's work is a complex one. The rapid development of organized classes in the adult department and the secondary division of the Sunday School and the grouping together of these organized classes into departments, with different lines of work, has led many to feel that the ideal is one inclusive organization in the local church for each group of young people, based on age divisions. Each of these organizations should provide all necessary instruction and training through classes, organized for specific tasks and individual training, the classes to meet separately for instruction, and to meet together for prayer, praise and testimony—to meet separately or together for "through the week activities."

In churches where there exists a Sunday School, a Young People's Society and other organizations, the work of these organizations should be correlated in such a way that it be complementary not conflicting or competing. For this purpose there should be in each congregation a committee composed of the presidents and teachers of the classes, the officers of the various organizations involved, the pastor and any advisory officers appointed to this committee by the local church. This general committee would have in charge the work of religious education, determine the program of study and activities, in order to prevent over-lapping and duplication of effort.

The Sunday School Council, representing the various denominational publishing Boards, has recommended the complete organization of the "teen age" members of the Sunday School into classes

and departments. It outlines a program for the development of the four sides of the young people's needs physical, social, mental, religious. The program includes bible study, cultivation of the devotional life, Christian culture and training for leadership and service through missions; stewardship, recreation, community work, citizenship and evangelism.

This is a high standard, but it is evident that the practical plans suggested for the organization and activities of the departments of the Sunday School point in the direction of a unified and standardized work. The principle stated is sound. In practice, however, it is evident that there must be study and conference and the correlation of existing agencies before the ideal plans can be put into practice.

At the present time in many of our congregations, we have active Young People's Societies, Mission Bands, Young People's Missionary Auxiliaries and Organized Classes of the teen age in the Sunday School. There are also Mission Study Classes in these organizations and some conducted separately from all organizations.

Your Board feels that in the interest of real coöperation and efficiency it would be desirable to have a conference of the various general agencies now stimulating activity among the young people of the Church.

SPECIAL MATTERS

1. Term of service of the following members of the Board expire at this meeting: Eastern Synod—Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Elder N. M. Balliet, Elder H. E. Hartman; Ohio Synod—J. H. Bomberger, D. D.; Potomac Synod, Elder Geo. A. Wood; Pittsburgh Synod—Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D.; Central Synod, Rev. Henry Schmidt.

2. Request Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Work, the Mission Study Department of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions and the proper committee of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod, to hold a conference with representatives of the Publication and Sunday School Board with reference to the proper correlation and coöperation in the Young People's work and training.

3. The approval by the General Synod of the full establishment of the Children's Endowment Fund of \$100,000 as a Thank-offering for Reformation blessings and in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the Reformation. Individuals, schools and churches should be challenged to make gifts, secure annuities and aid in the establishment of an adequate endowment fund for the educational and missionary work of the Publication and Sunday School Board.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Your Board would recommend the following subjects for your favorable consideration and for reference to the several Synods and Classes:

1. The approval by the General Synod of a budget of at least \$15,000 for the educational and missionary work of the Board and the reiteration of the request to the several Classes to urge their congregations, schools and individuals to make an annual freewill offering to the General Sunday School cause, preferably on Children's Day, and an offering for young people's work on Rally Day or Young People's Day.

2. Request the several Classes to place responsibility definitely upon the Classical Committee on Sunday School Work, in the gathering of accurate Sunday School statistics, in stimulating the General Sunday School work throughout the bounds of Classis by the holding of conventions, institutes, schools of methods and conferences with schools, in coöperation with the District Synodical Sunday School Board and General Synod's Board, the Classis to secure the appointment of such members on this Classical Sunday School Committee as are thoroughly interested in the educational phases of Sunday School work.

3. Suggest to the several Classes to request the pastor and consistory of every congregation to appoint a Committee on Good Literature and the Weekly Church Paper, this committee to be charged with the responsibility for the circulation of good literature and the placing of a copy of the Church paper in every home in the congregation, the committee to work through existing organizations and to coöperate with the church publishers. It is suggested that the committee report regularly to the consistory and the representatives of the pastoral charge in order that the latter may report the results of the work, annually, at the meeting of Classis.

4. The attention of Synod and Classes be called to the supreme importance of the moral and religious education of the children and youth in Christian knowledge and their training in Christian service, the responsibility resting upon the pastor, by precept and example, to inspire his people with the importance and value of the Sunday School and the necessity of home coöperation, the Synods and Classes to be reminded of their responsibilities for the religious education of the congregations and schools within their bounds.

And further, that Synod and Classes instruct their Advisory Sunday School Boards and Committees to include in their work, as far as advisable, the entire subject of religious education, coöperating with the Board in stimulating schools to the Standard of efficiency, the formation of teacher training classes, organized classes in the adult department and Secondary division of the school, the use of Reformed Church Lesson Helps and in every way possible developing the work of the school for the welfare of the home and community betterment and the growth of the Church.

5. That Synods and Classes call attention of pastors and congregations to the several plans now being tried in various sections to secure week-day religious instruction and, in this connection, to

challenge the young women of their congregations to the call for Christian service and the splendid opportunities offered for training in the institutions of the Reformed Church, as deaconesses, teachers of religion in the churches and schools and as Sunday School workers.

6. The approval by the General Synod of the Board's work and the authorization to go forward in the publication and improvement of Church and Sunday School literature, the securing of higher standards, the enlargement of the financial resources of the Board and the development of its varied work.

In conclusion, we rejoice in the preparation and introduction of better courses of study for the Sunday School, the improvement in teaching methods and larger emphasis on teacher training, the increased interest in religious education in our theological seminaries, the organization and rapid spread of the cradle roll, the home department and the adult bible class movement and the general improvement and better adaptation of our literature to the needs of the various age groups in the Sunday School.

We have just reason for gratitude and encouragement, but when we consider the small percentage of returns in proportion to the rapid increase in population and the multitude of people in America wholly untouched by the Sunday School and church, there is cause, also, for humility and serious reflection.

Before the Church there stands wide open, in the institution of the Sunday School as never before, the four great gates by which she is to lead men into the city of our God:

1. Evangelism.
2. Missions.
3. Religious education.
4. Social service.

And the four gates are one. They mean that religion for America must be a matter of life and of service, religion must reinforce education and education reinforce religion. In our national life Christian ideals and Christian standards of conduct must have the preeminence, and our Christian nationalism must not fall short of internationalism.

In this program of kingdom advance we believe that the American Sunday School, together with correlated agencies for religious instruction, is destined to contribute an important part and in this belief and in the hope of larger things for the coming years, this report is respectfully submitted.

CONRAD CLEVER, *President*.
RUFUS W. MILLER, *Secretary*.

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT

Periodicals. The following is a brief description of the character and purpose of the periodicals published by the Board:

The Reformed Church Messenger. This is the oldest church paper in our denomination. It contains 24 pages and is published weekly. It is recognized as one of the leading denominational periodicals. During the year various special numbers consisting of 28 to 32 pages and containing half-tone illustrations are issued. During the past year special Christmas, Easter, Orphans' Home, Foreign Mission, Home Mission, Children's Day, Educational, Music Book, and Thanksgiving numbers were published.

The Reformed Church Review. Published quarterly. Each number contains 128 pages or more, advances theological learning, considers subjects relating to kindred branches of knowledge—natural science, philosophy, literature, ethics, sociology, and aims to meet the practical demands of the times along the line of applied Christianity and church work.

The Heidelberg Teacher. This is a monthly magazine for teachers and officers of the Sunday School and adult bible students. It contains full and varied expositions on the International uniform lessons, supplemental lessons, aids to Graded lessons, editorial department, and new and valuable material contributed by the best writers. In it are to be found, also, interesting facts and incidents relating to missionary work, Sunday school news, and book reviews. Octavo form 56 to 64 pages. Price, single copy, 75c per year; school subscription, 60c per copy, per year.

The Heidelberg Home Department Quarterly and Adult Class Magazine is especially adapted to those who are unable to attend the regular sessions of the Sunday School and yet wish to study the lessons week by week. Essential to the success of adult classes. Issued quarterly. 64 pages. Price, single copy, 30c per year; school subscription, 25c per year. An abridged edition for the home department is published at 18 or 20c single copy; school subscription, 16c per year.

The Advanced Scholar's Quarterly. In this magazine, issued especially for the older scholars, is to be found full information regarding the lesson work, with order of service, map, bible dictionary, hymns and music, and most helpful and instructive material. Each number contains 40 pages and cover. Its large and increasing circulation gives proof of its popularity. The price is less than similar quarterlies of other churches. School subscriptions, 16c per copy per year.

The Intermediate Scholars' Quarterly is designed for scholars between the ages of 13 and 16. Notes, questions, and practical teachings, supplemental lessons with full lesson texts, fill its pages. Order of service, map and hymns are also to be found. 36 pages and cover. School subscription, 16c per year.

The Junior Scholars' Quarterly is published for scholars from 9 to 12 years of age. In it are words of hymns in other quarterlies, order of service for main school, special order of service for junior department, map and supplemental lessons. A complete and inter-

esting quarterly for the juniors. 36 pages and cover. Increasing circulation. Price, school subscription, 16c per year.

The Advanced Scholars' Lesson Leaf. This is an abridged form of the quarterly with lesson text, questions, and references; also orders of service. If desired, the leaves can be separated and distributed weekly to the scholars or to visitors. 32 pages. Price, school subscription, 8c per year.

The Heidelberg Picture Card is a brightly colored lithographic picture illustrating the lessons of the day with lesson title, golden text, lesson story, and questions. Adapted to the younger children and primary department. Price, school subscription, 10c per year.

The Heidelberg Lesson Roll. This provides a colored illustration for the lessons of every Sunday in the year. An artistic and true portrayal of Scripture times and customs. Price, 75c per quarter.

The Way. An eight-page illustrated weekly for the Sunday School, the Young People's Society, and the home. Its large circulation attests the value and need of this paper in which are to be found a constant variety of interesting information. The editorial page, young people's organizations, the mission page, scientific facts, and always an interesting story make it a popular and much sought for paper. Single subscription, 75c per copy per year; club subscriptions, two or more copies to one address, 60c each per year.

Leaves of Light for Boys and Girls Weekly. 4 pages. Especially published for the junior grade. It contains stories of heroism, stories of child life, scientific and mechanical inventions and discoveries, puzzles, and other features, including bible facts and lessons for meetings of juniors, which are presented from week to week. The first number of each month is a special missionary number and is edited largely through the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod. Single copy, 50c per year. School subscriptions, 35c per year. *Monthly edition* (Missionary number), 20c per year; single subscription, club subscription, 10c per year.

Sunshine. This is a four-page weekly paper for very little people. It is finely illustrated, once a month, printed in colors. Large space is given to the weekly bible lesson; in addition to questions and explanations, a story is given illustrating the lesson. Single subscription, 30c; school subscription, 25c per year.

HEIDELBERG DEPARTMENTAL GRADED LESSONS

- "Beginners' Teacher's Quarterly." 60c per year; 15c per quarter.
- "Beginners' Picture Roll." \$3 per year; 75c per quarter.
- "Beginners' Bible Stories." 24c per year; 6c per quarter.
- "Primary Teacher's Quarterly." 60c per year; 15c per quarter.
- "Primary Picture Roll." \$3 per year; 75c per quarter.
- "Primary Bible Lessons." 24c per year; 6c per quarter.
- "Primary Handwork Envelope." 40c per year; 10c per quarter.
- "Junior Teacher's Quarterly." 60c per year; 15c per quarter.

- "Junior Work and Study Lessons." 40c per year; 10c per quarter.
 "Order of Service." 50c and \$1 per quarter.

CLOSELY GRADED LESSONS

A complete series issued in quarterly parts, covering two years Beginners, three years Primary, four years Junior, four years Intermediate, etc., Teachers' Manuals, Pupils' Text Books.

LIST OF NEW BOOKS PUBLISHED 1914-1917

- "Heidelberg Catechism in Its Newest Light." By Dr. James I. Good. Price, \$1.
 "Lad I Used to Be." By Linn Harbaugh, Esq. Price, \$1.
 "24 mo. Word Hymnal." Price, 40c.
 "Outline Studies on the Church." Edited by Rev. Conrad A. Hauser. Paper, 40c; cloth, 75c.
 "Reformed What?" By Prof. G. W. Richards. Price, 20c.
 "Life and Letters of John Philip Boehm." By Prof. W. J. Hinke. Price, \$2.
 "Reformation Anniversary Facts, a Compilation." Price, 15c.
 "Reformation Medal." (Manufactured.) Price, 50c.

IMPRINT EDITIONS

- "Supreme Revelations." By Prof. W. C. Schaeffer. Price, \$1.50.
 "Oliver's Preparation for Teaching." By Chas. A. Oliver. Price, 25c.
 "Rise of the Modern Spirit in Europe." By Dr. George S. Butz. Price 75c.
 "Famous Reformers of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches." By Dr. J. I. Good. Paper, 35c., cloth, 50c.
 "Light of Parnell." By John W. Appel. Price, \$1.00.
 "Reformed Reformation." By Dr. J. I. Good. Cloth, 75c. Paper, 60c.

NEW PUBLICATIONS FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS

- Rally Day Offering Envelopes, at 30c per hundred.
 Felt Souvenir Pennants, at 85c per hundred.
 Felt Souvenir Pennants, at \$1.25 per hundred.
 Souvenir Celluloid Buttons, at \$1.50 per hundred.
 Easter Offering Envelope, Egg design, at \$1.00 per hundred.
 Easter Offering Envelope, Rabbit design, at \$1.00 per hundred.
 Easter Offering Envelope, Narcissus design, Form A, 30c per hundred.
 Communicant's Registration Card, 35c per hundred copies.
 Class Card Envelope, two pockets, at 2c each.
 Library Order Cards, at 50c per hundred.
 Sunday-school Information Card, Family Record, at 75c per hundred.
 Sunday-school Register Board, new design, at \$3.00 each.
 Visitor's Greeting Card (for Sunday-school), at 75c per hundred.
 Bookmarks, new series, 6 for 20c.
 International Emblem, celluloid button, 5 designs, at \$1.50 per hundred.
 Reformed Church Almanac—single copy, 15c each, postpaid; 1 to 5 copies, 15c, not postpaid; 5 to 25 copies, 12c, not postpaid; 25 to 100 copies, 10c, not postpaid; 100 copies or more, 9c, not postpaid.
 Sunday-school Increase Campaign Buttons, \$1.00 per hundred.
 Souvenir Pin Trays and Paper Weights, \$18.00 gross.
 Class Banner in Reformed Church colors, with seal of General Synod, \$2.00 each.

Reformed Church Pennant at 35c each; lots of 6 or more, 25c each.
 Zwingli Pennant at 35c each; lots of 6 or more, 25c each.
 Reward Pins, Wheel design, Seal design, Triangle design, 20c each;
 \$1.80 dozen.
 Midget Adult Gold Plated Pin, at 15c each; \$1.50 dozen.

REPRINTS FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS

Rally Day Souvenir Buttons, \$1.50 per hundred.
 Rally Day Invitation Post Cards, 60c per hundred; \$2.50 for 500.
 Harvest Home Offering Envelopes, at 30c per hundred.
 Daily Lenten Offering Envelopes, at \$1.25 per hundred.
 Self Denial Offering Envelopes, at \$1.25 per hundred.
 Easter Egg Offering Envelopes, \$1.00 per hundred.
 Easter Rabbit Offering Envelopes, \$1.00 per hundred.
 Golden Censer, No. 1, 25c per copy; and No. 2, 35c per copy.
 Communion Offering Envelopes, at 30c per hundred.
 Pastor's Individual Communion Service, at \$12.00 each.
 Acme Class Book, at 5c a copy; 50c dozen.
 Adult Class Book, 100 names, 20c each.
 Adult Class Book, No. 2, 30c each.
 Primary Teacher's Class Book, 30c each.
 Acme Class Offering Envelope, No. 2, at 30c dozen.
 Acme Class Offering Envelope, No. 3, at 35c dozen.
 Classical Apportionment Envelope, at 30c per hundred.
 Acme Secretary Record, No. 1, at 75c.
 Acme Secretary Record, No. 2, at \$1.25 each.
 Acme Class Attendance Pad, 40c dozen.
 Secretary's Report Cards, at 75c per hundred.
 Home Department Visitor's Record Book, 5c each.
 Home Department Secretary's Record, at 65c.
 Home Department Offering Envelopes, 30c per hundred.
 Adult International Emblem Buttons, celluloid, at \$1.00 per hundred.
 Sunday-school Register of Attendance Board, at \$3.00 each.
 Class Tables at \$5.00 each.
 Offering Plates, walnut, \$3.00.
 Offering Plates, maple, \$1.75.
 Books of the Bible Card, at 50c per hundred.
 Talk-About-It Button, at \$1.25 per hundred.
 Bible Studies in the form of questions and answers, revised and enlarged, 10c each.
 Scholar's Visiting or Vacation Record Card, at 75c per hundred.
 Hymn Board Numerals, at 10c set.
 Picture Roll Bracket, at 25c each.

CHURCH AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL REQUISITES

Almanac.
 Acme Class Book.
 Acme Class Offering Envelopes.
 Acme Class Report Pads.
 Acme Primary Class Book.
 Acme Library Cards.
 Acme Sunday-school Secretary's Record Book, No. 1 and No. 2.
 Adult Bible Class Book (100 names).
 Adult Bible Class Buttons (celluloid).
 Adult Bible Class Pins (gold plate).
 Banners, Reformed colors.

Book Marks, new series of six.
 Birthday Offering Envelopes.
 Communicant's Registration Card.
 Class Number Badges (diamond shaped).
 Communion Offering Envelope.
 Class Tables.
 Class Card Envelope.
 Classical Apportionment Envelope.
 Cradle Roll Membership Cards.
 Drills and Dialogues for Christmas.
 Easter Offering Envelopes—Egg design.
 Easter Offering Envelopes—Rabbit design.
 Easter Offering Envelope—Lenten Daily.
 Easter Offering Envelopes—Self-denial.
 Easter Offering Envelopes—various designs.
 The Golden Censer.
 Heidelberg Scholar's Attendance Cards.
 Home Department Certificate of Application.
 Home Department Certificate of Membership.
 Home Department Quarterly Report Blanks.
 Home Department Superintendent, Secretary and Treasurer's Record Book.
 Home Department Offering Envelopes.
 Home Department Visitor's Record.
 Hymn Boards.
 Hymn Board Numerals (sets).
 Hymn Board Slides (sets).
 Harvest Home Offering Envelopes.
 Individual Communion Service—(Pastor's), (Congregation).
 Information Card for Sunday-school.
 International Departmental Buttons.
 Kingdom Songs (new Sunday-school hymnal).
 Library Order Cards.
 Missionary Recitations and Dialogues.
 Missionary Tableaux and Exercises.
 Motion Songs and Exercises for Christmas.
 My Confirmation Covenant.
 Offering Plates, all styles.
 Pins for Rewards.
 Pennants, Reformed colors.
 Picture Roll Bracket.
 Primary and Junior Hymnal (6th edition).
 Rally Day Bangle Pins.
 Rally Day Buttons.
 Rally Day Post Cards (new designs).
 Rally Day Post Cards (reprints, old designs).
 Rally Day Offering Envelopes.
 Rally Day Telegrams.
 Reformed Church Almanacs.
 Register Board Attendance and Offerings for the Sunday-school.
 Register Board Numerals (sets).
 Register Board Slides (sets).
 Religious Pictures (Heidelberg series).
 Scripture Text Buttons.
 Standard Selections for Christmas.
 Secretary's Report Card.

Sunday-school Hymnal.
 Supplemental Lessons on Missions for the Junior Grade.
 Sunday-school Increase Campaign Buttons.
 Treasured Hymns.
 Visitor's Greeting Card.
 Vacation Record and Member's Visiting Card.
 Zwingli Pennants.
 Total number of copies, 1,328,714.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

NEW MATERIAL

*Church Festival Helper, i. e., Christmas, Easter, Children's Day
 Rally Day*

Children's Day:

The Sunday-School Army (service) Offering.
 Loyal Hearts and True (service) Offering.
 The Gift of the Holy Spirit (service).
 His Wonderful Works (service). \$4.00 per hundred.

Rally Day.

Follow the Flag (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Loyalty and Love (service). Offering.
 His Rallying Host (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 A Call to the Colors (service). Offering.

Christmas:

His Natal Day (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 The Night of the Star (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Break Forth Into Joy (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 His Only Son (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 That Wondrous Night (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Glorious Is Thy Name (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Love Incarnate (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 The Child of Heaven (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Our Birthday Gift (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Come All Ye Faithful (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 32-page Sample Pamphlet.

Easter:

Hope Triumphant (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 Glorious Victory (service). \$4.00 per hundred.
 He Lives Indeed (service). \$5.00 per hundred.
 The Triumph (service). \$5.00 per hundred.

Juvenile Cantatas.

The Spirit of the Yuletide (Xmas). 25c.
 The Uninvited Xmas Guests (Xmas). 25c.
 Uncle Sam's Re-Union (patriotic). 25c.

Song Stories.

Ariscus, a Friend of the Nazarene (Easter). 15c.
 Drusilla of Nazareth (Xmas). 15c.
 Silent Night, Holy Night. 15c.

Choir Cantata.

Tidings of Joy (Xmas). 50c, less 25 per cent.

Octavo Anthems.

- No. 228. Behold I Bring You Good Tidings. 12c.
 No. 229. O Little Town of Bethlehem. 12c.
 No. 230. No Room in the Inn. 12c.
 No. 231. Hallelujah Hearts to Heaven and Voices Raise. 12c.
 No. 232. Fear Not Ye. 12c.
 No. 233. Hallelujah. 12c.
 No. 234. The Saviour's Birth. 12c.
 No. 235. When Jesus Was Born. 12c.
 No. 236. Open Your Hearts, O Ye People. 12c.
 No. 237. As It Began to Dawn. 12c.
 No. 238. King of Kings. 12c.
 No. 239. Rejoice, Ye Righteous. 12c.
 No. 240. O Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus. 12c.
 No. 241. There Were Shepherds. 12c.
 No. 242. All My Heart This Night Rejoices. 12c.
 No. 243. Now Is Christ Risen. 12c.
 No. 244. O Grave, Where Is Thy Victory? 12c.
 No. 219. Go Forward. 25 per cent. from list price. 12c.

Juvenile Song Leaflets:

- Four New Easter Songs for Little Tots. 5c.
 Xmas Songs for Beginners. 5c.
 Xmas Songs for Primary Children. 5c.
 Xmas Songs for Juniors. 5c.

Sheet Music:

- Hark the Heavenly Host (Xmas). 25c. High voice. Low voice.
 All Hail the Morn of Victory (Easter). 25c. Medium voice only.
 Lead Thou Me On (general). 25c. High voice. Low voice.
 Just Tell It to Jesus (general). 5c. Medium voice. Low voice.
 High voice.
 I Have Found a Friend (general). 25c. Low voice. High voice.
 Medium voice.
 Stand for America (patriotic). 25c.
 Uncle Sam's Re-Union March (piano). 5c.

General:

- Beginners and Primary Songs. 25c in quantities.
 New Song Folio, No. 1. 5c in quantities.
 Tell It Wherever You Go. 5c in quantities.
 He May Count on Me. 5c in quantities.
 Three Rally Day Exercises. 5c in quantities.
 I Must Be True to Him.

Orchestrations:

- For "His Natal Day." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Break Forth Into Joy." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Hope Triumphant." \$1.25 the set.
 For "His Only Son." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Glorious Is Thy Name." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Glorious Victory." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Kingdom Songs" in 100 each of 8 different books. \$1.50 the book.
 For "His Wonderful Works." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Love Incarnate." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Come All Ye Faithful." \$1.25 the set.

For "He Lives Indeed." \$1.25 the set.
 For "Uncle Sam's Re-Union March." 60c the set.
 For "Uncle Sam's Re-Union March Band." 50c the set.

Printed for Others:

Single Sheet Songs for 16 different customers.
 Reformation Hymns, J. I. Good, D. D.

Reprints:

Kingdom Songs, \$25 and \$30 the hundred.
 To the Work (Rally Day Service), \$4.00 the hundred.
 Glorious Victory (Easter Service), \$4.00 the hundred.
 Anthem No. 22, Tell Us, O Tell Us, 12c less 25 per cent.
 Total number of copies, 2,082,992.

PERIODICALS, NUMBER OF COPIES

	Year Ending March, 1915	Year Ending March, 1916	Year Ending March, 1917	Total
The Way.....	1,105,000	1,180,000	1,220,100	3,505,100
Leaves of Light, Weekly.....	322,100	361,000	394,700	1,077,800
Leaves of Light, Monthly.....	19,850	17,000	11,900	48,750
Sunshine.....	1,051,000	1,027,400	994,200	3,072,600
Heidelberg Teacher.....	155,050	157,150	166,750	478,950
Home Department Quarterly.....	87,500	94,200	102,000	283,700
Advanced Quarterly.....	395,500	403,700	416,500	1,215,700
Lesson Leaf.....	58,600	65,500	71,500	195,600
Intermediate Quarterly.....	107,200	106,000	94,300	307,500
Junior Quarterly.....	93,000	94,500	100,000	287,500
Picture Cards.....	1,544,400	1,514,500	1,405,300	4,464,200
Picture Rolls.....	2,353	1,742	1,847	5,942
	4,941,553	5,022,692	4,979,097	14,943,342
Advanced Quarterly Christian, Ref. Pub. Com.....	9,813	8,204	5,788	23,805
Junior Quarterly Christian, Ref. Pub. Com.....	6,925	6,574	4,798	18,297
Total.....	4,958,291	5,037,470	4,989,683	14,985,444
Reformed Church Messenger.....	495,200	439,650	537,600	1,472,450
Reformed Church Review.....	2,000	2,000	2,000	6,000
	5,455,491	5,479,120	5,529,283	16,463,894

DEPARTMENTAL GRADED LESSONS

	Year Ending March 1916	Year Ending March, 1917	Total
Beginners Tea. Quar.....	2,025	2,525	4,550
Beginners' Stories.....	390,000	448,877	838,877
Beginners' Pic. Roll.....	2,084	1,461	3,545
Primary Tea. Quar.....	2,685	3,875	6,560
Primary Stories.....	387,400	518,050	905,450
Primary Hand Work Env.....	4,550	5,550	10,100
Primary Pic. Roll.....	2,084	1,461	3,545
Junior Tea. Quar.....	2,410	2,950	5,360
Junior W. & S. Lessons.....	21,900	27,700	49,600
Order of Service.....	4,000	4,000	8,000
	819,138	1,016,449	1,835,587

	1915	1916	1917	Total
Closely Graded.....	950,095	687,501	885,104	2,522,700

NOTE—Above does not include circulars, leaflets, distributed free, on many subjects, including those pertaining to Children's Day services, collection envelopes, etc. Nor does it include materials and books of other publishers.

SUMMARY OF PUBLICATIONS FOR THREE YEARS

Book Department.....	78,218
Church and Sunday-school Supplies.....	1,328,714
Music Department.....	2,082,992
Uniform Lesson Periodicals and Sunday-school Papers....	14,985,444
Closely Graded Lessons.....	2,522,700
Departmental Graded Lessons.....	1,835,587
Reformed Church Messenger.....	1,472,450
Reformed Church Review.....	6,000
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	24,312,105

FINANCIAL STATEMENT EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT, APRIL 1, 1914, TO MARCH 31, 1917.

	1915	1916	1917	Total
Cash balance Mar. 31, 1914.....				\$265.20
Gifts from schools.....	\$5,766.51	\$6,412.26	\$6,709.87	18,888.64
Individual contributions.....	43.53	146.27	4.30	194.10
Int. on Dr. Jacob Fry S. S. Fund.....	169.05	169.05	169.05	507.15
Int. on Rev. J. B. Shontz S. S. Fund.....	80.00	80.00	80.00	240.00
Int. on Bank Balances.....	11.88	23.30	25.57	60.75
Loan Market St. Nat. Bank.....		4,000.00		4,000.00
Young People's Society.....		7.50		7.50
Appropriation from Business Department.....	800.00	1,200.00		2,000.00
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				\$26,163.34

Cash Expended 1915-1916-1917

Bus. Dept. Pub. & S. S. Bd. (paid on Bank Loan and cash advanced).....	\$6,612.48
Hungarian Paper.....	1,500.00
Board of Home Missions, German and English (S. S. Missionaries).....	1,050.00

Missionary and Field Work

Salaries.....	2,598.30
Traveling Expenses.....	669.18
Freight and Express.....	6.15
Expense Classical Committee.....	2.65

Educational Work

Superintendent's Salary.....	5,600.00
Stenographer's Salary.....	969.02
Postage.....	78.35
Incidental Expenses.....	136.66
Literature.....	623.25
Traveling Expenses.....	817.21

Administration Work

Secretary's Salary.....	1,800.00
Secretary's Assistant.....	714.00
Postage.....	252.64
Printing.....	45.83
Office Expense.....	146.13

Miscellaneous Expenses

Printing Children's Day Services.....	2,101.03
United Missionary and Stewardship Committee.....	107.90
Literature.....	11.50
Expenses, Annual Board Meeting.....	211.74
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	26,054.02

Cash balance Mar. 31, 1917..... \$109.32

NOTE—Amount advanced by and owing to Business Dept., \$4,449.68
Apportionment from Business Dept. for 1917 not yet made.

CALVIN O. ALTHOUSE, *Treasurer*.

TRIENNIAL REPORT

BALANCE SHEET, BUSINESS DEPARTMENT, APRIL 1, 1914, TO MARCH 31, 1915

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets

Cash.....	\$4,736.13
Accounts Receivable.....	33,990.69
Advance to Educational and Missionary Dept. as a loan.....	3,370.62
Messenger Advertising.....	1,334.59
Bills Receivable.....	366.67
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	\$43,798.70

Inventories:

Periodicals.....	\$3,696.72
Church and Sunday-school Supplies.....	8,976.17
Music.....	4,444.00
Book Department.....	12,492.79
Messenger.....	97.25
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	29,706.93

Cuts and Electros (large reduction from cost)....	\$1,153.08
Book Plates and Dies (large reduction from cost)	2,687.51
Furniture and Fixtures (large reduction from cost)	2,589.67
Insurance and Interest accrued.....	1,565.60
Departmental Graded Lessons-Capital account..	2,600.00
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	10,595.86

Total Assets..... \$84,101.49

Liabilities

Accounts Payable.....	\$3,698.48
Temperance Commission.....	9.28
Royalties Payable.....	701.52
Periodicals, advance charges and advance pay- ments.....	18,425.21
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Total Liabilities..... \$22,834.49

Excess of Assets over Liabilities as follows..... \$61,267.00

Capital, April 1, 1914.....	\$58,465.19
Profit for year ending March 31, 1915.....	5,744.54
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	\$64,209.73

Deduct:

Appropriation Educational and Mis- sionary Dept.....	\$800.00	
Appropriation Real Estate Dept....	2,500.00	
	<hr/>	3,300.00
Capital April 1, 1915.....	\$60,909.73	
Reserve Fund.....	3,267.27	
	<hr/>	\$64,177.00

Note: Messenger—

Income and Inventory.....	\$16,216.46
Expenditure and Inventory.....	18,197.19
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Charged to Profit and Loss.....	\$1,980.73
Leaving credited to Profit and Loss account for year—or net earnings.....	\$5,744.54

BALANCE SHEET, BUSINESS DEPARTMENT, APRIL 1, 1915,
TO MARCH 31, 1916.

Cash.....	\$8,162.21
Accounts receivable.....	36,671.17
Advance to Educational and Missionary Depart- ment.....	203.86
Messenger Advertising.....	1,282.63
Bills receivable.....	68.44
Messenger subscription due and unpaid.....	3,789.78
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	\$50,178.09

Inventories

Periodicals.....	\$4,292.60
Church and Sunday-school Supplies.....	8,660.34
Music.....	6,052.33
Book Department.....	13,881.00
Messenger.....	43.06
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	32,929.33

Furniture and Equipment

Cuts and Electros (large reduction from cost)...	\$1,122.95
Book Plates and Dies (large reduction from cost)	1,926.83
Furniture and Fixtures (large reduction from cost)	2,500.00
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	5,549.78

Miscellaneous

Insurance and Advance to Real Estate.....	\$3,880.00
Departmental Graded Lessons—capital acct....	2,600.00
Bond Investment Reserve Fund.....	3,600.00
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	10,080.00
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Total Assets.....	\$98,737.20

Liabilities

Accounts Payable.....	\$695.51	
Temperance Commission.....	3.86	
Royalties Payable.....	729.96	
Advance Charges and Payments on Periodicals..	19,486.19	
Messenger Subscriptions Paid in Advance.....	5,322.48	
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Total Liabilities.....		26,238.00
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Balance, Capital of Company, March 31, 1916.....		\$72,499.20
This account is made up as follows:		
Capital as of April 1, 1915.....		\$60,909.73
<i>Additions:</i>		
Profit for year ending March 31, 1916.....	9,057.28	
Other amounts credited.....	87.52	
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		\$70,054.53
<i>Deductions:</i>		
Appropriation to Real Estate Department....	\$1,000.00	
Appropriation to Reserve Fund.....	155.33	
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		1,155.33
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Total Capital Account.....		\$68,899.20
Reserve Fund Appropriation.....		3,600.00
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Aggregate Capital of Company.....		\$72,499.20
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Note: Charge Profit and Loss on account loss of Messenger		
for the year ending March 31, 1916.....		\$3,052.46

BALANCE SHEET

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT, APRIL 1, 1916, TO MARCH 31, 1917.

Assets

Cash.....	\$8,447.36	
Accounts Receivable.....	36,960.35	
Advance to Educational and Missionary Department.....	4,449.68	
Messenger Advertisement, Accounts Receivable..	1,361.48	
Messenger Subscription Due and Unpaid.....	3,290.91	
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		\$54,509.78

Inventories

Periodicals, stock on hand.....	\$11,300.10	
Church and Sunday-school Supplies.....	9,045.80	
Music Stock and Supplies.....	4,144.86	
Book Department, Stock and Supplies.....	12,790.34	
Messenger.....	72.00	
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		37,353.10

Furniture and Equipment

Cuts and Electros (large reduction from cost)...	\$1,192.00	
Book Plates and Dies (large reduction from cost)..	1,284.55	
Furniture and Fixtures (large reduction from cost)	2,303.10	
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		4,779.65

Miscellaneous

Sunday-school Increase Campaign Expense.....	\$1,948.84	
Insurance and Advance.....	2,539.40	
Bond Investment, Reserve Fund.....	3,600.00	
Departmental Graded Lessons—capital investment.....	2,600.00	
	<u>13,688.24</u>	
		\$110,330.77

Liabilities

Accounts Payable.....	\$2,146.80	
Royalties Payable.....	623.81	
	<u>\$2,770.61</u>	

Deferred Credits:

Temperance Commission Trust Fund.....	\$3.86	
Advance Charges on Periodicals.....	15,702.38	
Advance Payments on Periodicals..	8,644.60	
Messenger Subscriptions paid in advance.....	8,452.26	
	<u>32,803.10</u>	

Total Liabilities..... 35,573.71

Balance, Capital of the Board at March 31, 1917.. \$74,757.06

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

This account is made up as follows:

Credits

Capital as of April 1, 1916.....	\$68,899.20	
Additions during year:		
Profit for year ending March 31, 1917.....	\$9,665.15	
Adjustments of Accounts Receivable.....	268.46	
Other amounts credited.....	24.25	
	<u>9,957.86</u>	
Total Credit.....		<u>\$78,857.06</u>

*Debits**Deductions:*

Appropriation to Real Estate Department....	\$6,500.00	
Appropriation to Educational and Missionary Department.....	1,200.00	
	<u>7,700.00</u>	
		\$71,157.06
Reserve Fund.....		<u>3,600.00</u>

Aggregate Capital of Board at March 31, 1917..... \$74,757.06

Note: Charge to Profit and Loss on account of loss on Messenger for the year ending March 31, 1917..... \$4,600.59

C. Bruce, successor to Charles Lewer, audited the accounts for the year ending March 31, 1915, and R. J. Bennett, certified public accountant, since that date has audited the accounts monthly and prepared balance sheets, both for the Business Department and Real Estate Department.

The financial statements and assets given herewith are a summary from the statements of the Certified Accountants, details of which are in the hands of the Board and have been examined by the Board.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT, CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

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Cash on hand March 31, 1914.....	\$6,587.44	
Cash received from sales of Periodicals, Books, Church and Sunday-school Supplies, in- cluding (Bd. of Pub. and Bible School Work and Central Pub. House) Reformed Church Messenger and Review:		
From March 31, 1914, to March 31, 1915	\$164,051.91	
From March 31, 1915, to March 31, 1916	163,604.47	
From March 31, 1916, to March 31, 1917	177,550.55	
		<u>505,206.93</u>
		<u>\$511,794.37</u>

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Periodical Department, Paper, Printing, etc...	\$128,144.89	
Book Department.....	36,924.50	
Church and Sunday-school Supplies.....	59,773.08	
Music Department.....	25,174.77	
Special Sales.....	26,016.84	
Reformed Church Messenger.....	54,171.27	
Reformed Church Review.....	1,972.33	
Miscellaneous: Periodicals, Book, Church and Sunday-school and Missionary Dept.....	525.20	
Rent, Heat, Light and Telephone Service....	9,600.00	
Salaries, General Secretary, Dept. Heads, Office Clerks, Shippers, etc.....	57,626.67	
Incidental Expenses, Postage, Expressage, Insurance, Advertising, Weight of Periodi- cals.....	40,239.07	
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,042.05	
Cuts and Electros.....	1,869.60	
Appropriation to Reformed Church Building.	10,000.00	
Royalty to cause of Ministerial Relief on sale of Church and Sunday-school Hymnals....	2,178.16	
Book Plates.....	202.74	
Advanced to Real Estate Department.....	590.00	
Departmental Graded Lessons, Capital Acct.	2,600.00	
Reserve Fund.....	566.07	
Schaff Civic Week Fund.....	2,162.39	
Reformation Pageant Fund.....	896.34	
Sunday-school Increase Campaign.....	4,007.88	
Notes Payable.....	7,000.00	
Sunday-school and Missionary Department, Renewal of Notes, \$12,000.00, balance ad- vanced by Business Department.....	30,063.16	
		<u>503,347.01</u>
Cash Balance March 31, 1917.....		<u>\$8,447.36</u>

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

APRIL 1, 1914, TO MARCH 31, 1917

Cash Receipts

Cash Balance March 31, 1914.....		\$404.99
Rents Received.....	\$70,055.70	
Cash from Gifts.....	2,350.00	
Melville E. Doll Bequest	1,000.00	
St. Mark's Ref. S. S., Reading, Pa.....	24.14	
Amount Appropriated from Business Dept....	10,000.00	
Interest on Bank Balances.....	109.96	
Miscellaneous.....	98.22	
Proceeds Schaff Civic Week.....	2,216.52	
Reformation Pageant Proceeds.....	600.00	
Children Endowment Fund.....	6,000.00	
Notes Payable.....	23,170.60	
	<hr/>	115,625.14
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		\$116,030.13

Paid Out

Rents Remitted to Boards and Church Use...	\$11,184.50	
Interest, including Annuities.....	25,162.08	
Operating Expenses—Light, Heat, Power, Salaries, etc.....	14,761.25	
Taxes, Insurance.....	6,661.78	
Repairs and Maintenance, cor. 15th and Race Sts.....	2,874.53	
Repairs and Maintenance, Race St. Properties	1,518.05	
Mortgage Payable, Fidelity Mutual Life.....	43,000.00	
Mortgage Payable, West End Trust.....	10,000.00	
Philip Schaff Building Fund.....	92.65	
Fixtures.....	284.42	
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Cash Balance March 31, 1917.....		\$490.87

BALANCE SHEET, REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT,
AS OF MARCH 31, 1917*Assets**Fixed Assets:*

Real Estate, 15th and Race Streets.....	\$150,557.09	
Real Estate, Race Street Property.....	100,214.25	
Furniture and Fixtures, less 10 per cent....	1,363.00	
	<hr/>	\$252,134.34

Current Assets:

Cash in Bank.....	\$490.87	
Rents due and unpaid, 15th and Race Sts...	102.50	
*Philip Schaff Building Fund.....	333.95	
Investment Fairmount Trust Company Stock (taken for annuity).....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	1,927.32

*Schaff Committee Treasurer has \$6,034.43 in hand.

<i>Prepaid Charges:</i>		
Prepaid Discount on Note.....	\$270.00	
Prepaid Insurance.....	230.00	
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Total Assets.....		\$254,561.86

Liabilities

<i>Fixed Liabilities:</i>		
Mortgage, Race Street Properties.....	\$50,000.00	
<i>Annuity Bonds:</i>		
Annuities Outstanding and Additions during year.....	36,202.50	
<i>Current Liabilities:</i>		
Notes payable		
against properties	\$25,000.00	
Notes payable on demand, i. e., permanent loans.....	7,234.69	
	<hr/>	\$32,234.69
Loan Account.....	312.50	
Interest Accrued on Mortgage	1,050.00	
	<hr/>	33,597.19
<i>Fund Accounts:</i>		
Dr. Jacob S. Fry S. S. Fund....	\$5,635.00	
Reformed Church Messenger Fund.....	5,000.00	
Sunday School Fund of Sunday Schools.....	8,910.00	
Sunday School Fund of Individuals.....	2,300.00	
Reserve Fund.....	4,180.13	
Children's Endowment Fund...	6,000.00	
	<hr/>	32,025.13
	<hr/>	\$151,824.82
Balance, Capital Account, being excess of Assets over Liabilities.....		\$102,736.84

GIFTS, ANNUITIES, ETC., REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING

APRIL 1, 1914, TO MARCH 31, 1917

<i>Annuities</i>		
Rev. J. B. Shontz.....	\$500.00	
R. Emma Hess.....	500.00	
Lewis S. Freeman.....	500.00	
Ada M. Griffith.....	250.00	
L. Virginia Schmidt.....	500.00	
Mrs. C. B. Wickersham.....	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,350.00
<i>Gifts</i>		
Melville E. Doll, Frederick, Md., Bequest.....	\$1,000.00	
Proceeds Schaff Civic Week.....	2,216.52	
Reformation Pageant Proceeds.....	600.00	
Children's Endowment Fund (loan on interest).....	6,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$9,566.5

SUMMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICAL REPORT, YEAR 1916

	Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Home Department	Cradle Roll	Scholars Confirmed	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	General Svnod's Sunday-School Work	Other Benevolence	Support of School
Eastern.....	594	13,029	143,775	9,163	11,593	4,231	\$9,188.00	\$9,289.00	.....	\$3,780.00	\$42,086.00	\$93,186.00
Ohio.....	207	3,767	34,705	2,182	3,222	1,186	3,736.00	3,078.00	.....	816.00	7,359.00	27,863.00
Northwest.....	198	1,157	9,351	153	238	299	3,269.00	1,295.00	\$119.00	49.00	1,981.00	3,147.00
Pittsburgh.....	154	2,295	26,301	1,904	2,564	982	1,675.00	1,465.00	2,724.00	565.00	7,763.00	18,503.00
Potomac.....	306	5,067	51,106	2,401	3,595	3,514	2,180.00	2,171.00	369.00	1,639.00	9,264.00	40,963.00
German East.....	60	1,211	14,618	1,121	1,460	844	1,282.00	976.00	.....	157.00	4,443.00	11,156.00
Central.....	94	1,718	21,418	1,180	1,948	685	2,471.00	1,969.00	.....	362.00	4,070.00	15,732.00
Interior.....	53	772	6,130	325	591	220	370.00	387.00	.....	1,151.00	1,246.00	5,124.00
Southwest.....	61	809	9,428	800	721	349	1,171.00	1,326.00	.....	156.00	1,789.00	5,915.00
Totals.....	1727	29,825	316,832	19,229	25,932	12,310	\$25,342.00	\$21,956.00	\$3,212.00	\$8,675.00	\$80,001.00	\$221,571.00

Report of Standing Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools

The report of the Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools was presented at the Monday evening session, and reads as follows:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Publication and Sunday-schools would report that to it was referred the Tenth Triennial Report of the Board to which the important work of Christian nurture through the medium of the printed page and the spoken word is committed; also *Item 2*, Minutes of 1916 of the report of the Committee on Minutes of Synod of the Northwest inviting closer coöperation between its Board of Education and the Board of General Synod.

We do well as a Synod to take cognizance of the fact that it was in the city of Dayton, at the meeting of General Synod, held just twenty-one years ago, that action was taken authorizing the Sunday-school Board to publish a Sunday-school literature for the Church. That the action taken was a proper one and that it was prompted by a wisdom other than human is abundantly demonstrated by the facts and figures which are presented in the Board's report for our study and comparison. It was no easy task that was committed to the Board, especially so in view of the fact that it was asked to execute a trust with no other asset for its encouragement except the good will of the larger body that created it, but though deficient in capital and in material resources, the Board evidently was not lacking in faith, in vision and efficiency, else it could not have done the splendid work and achieved the blessed results which the past twenty-one years of its history so strikingly exhibits. It is a record that is most creditable and leads us to hope as a Church, now since the work of the Board has reached its majority, that it may develop an influence and a helpfulness that shall tell mightily in the upbuilding of our land. It is especially worthy of note that during this new era of the Board's activity there has been created in the Business Department of its work a capital of \$72,499.20 and a value of real estate to the extent of \$280,000.00; also that the Sunday-school membership made a gain of 154,103 scholars during the same period. Truly may we say that the Board may well rejoice as a strong man to run a race and that they who are not weary in well-doing in due season will reap if they faint not.

Turning now after these words of retrospect to the more immediate present we learn from the Board's report that while progress has been made during the triennium toward the erection of the Schaff Building the erection of the structure will be deferred for the present; also that the Increase Campaign commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation was generally observed, undoubtedly brought the importance of religious education to the attention of thousands of members and Sunday-school workers

of the Church and the time for its observance is to be extended for at least another year. The Board again reiterates its conviction expressed in former reports that \$15,000.00 is the minimum amount needed to carry on the work of its educational and missionary departments and regrets the fact that so many schools fail to make the annual offering for this work. Very properly does it stress religious education in the home and in the school and remind us of the fact "That it is of supreme importance for the welfare of state and church to have a program of religious education which will include the systematic use of week days as well as Sundays for religious instruction and training, and the setting in motion of such influences as will awaken parents to the unparalleled needs and opportunity for the religious education of children and youth."

Two personal references are made by the Board in its report, the one of which calls for our sympathy and prayers, the other for our congratulations and well wishing.

The Board notes with regret the disability and illness of the editor of *The Messenger*, Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D. D., who is so well and so favorably known to all of us; and records also its appreciation of the long, faithful, and efficient services of the Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart, D. D., as editor of the Sunday-school papers of the Church.

Your Committee would offer the following recommendations:

1. The Synod acknowledges the blessing of Him who has said: "Declare ye in Judah and publish in Jerusalem," upon the labor of its Publication and Sunday-school Board and renews its confidence in its faithful servant, in the hope that during the next triennium it may go forward still more in the publication and improvement of Church and Sunday-school literature, the securing of higher standards, the enlargement of its financial resources and the development of its every work.

2. That Synod approves the request of the Board, as well as the recommendation of the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, for \$15,000.00 for the educational and missionary work and requests the several Classes through the District Synods to urge their congregations, schools and individuals to make an annual free-will offering to the general Sunday-school cause, preferably on Children's Day and that the minimum amount suggested on the basis of the communicant membership of the Church be at least five cents per member.

3. That Synod heeds the request of the Board that Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Work, the Mission Study Department of the Board of Home and Foreign Missions and the proper committee of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of General Synod meet with representatives of the Board at such time as the Board may deem advisable for the purpose of more proper correlation and coöperation in the Young People's Work and training.

4. That Synod approves of the full establishment of the Children's Endowment Fund of \$100,000.00 as a thank offering for

Reformation blessings and in commemoration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation, commends its cause most heartily to the Classes, congregations and Sunday-schools; and advises the Board that the Sunday-school Increase Campaign be terminated October 31, 1917.

5. That Synod earnestly entreats the several Classes to magnify the place and work of their classical committee on Sunday-school work and urges upon them the desirability and value of holding conventions, institutes, schools of methods and conferences with schools throughout their bounds in coöperation with the District Synodical Sunday-school Board and General Synod's Board.

6. That Synod suggest to the several Classes to request the pastor and consistory of every congregation to appoint a committee on Good Literature and the weekly Church paper, said committee to be charged with the responsibility for the circulation of good literature and the placing of the Church paper in every home of the congregation.

7. That Synod again calls attention of District Synods and Classes to the supreme importance of moral and religious education of the children and youth in Christian knowledge and their training in Christian service and asks District Synods and Classes to instruct their advisory Sunday-school Boards and Committees to include in their work, as far as advisable, the entire subject of religious education, coöperating with the Board in stimulating schools to strive after the highest standards and efficiency.

8. That Synod calls attention of District Synods and Classes to the several plans now being tried in various sections to secure week-day religious instruction and urges upon them the importance of the challenge of young women in congregations to Christian service in the form of deaconesses, Sunday-school workers and teachers of religion in the Churches and the schools.

9. That Synod greatly appreciates the desire of the Synod of the Northwest for closer coöperation between its Board of Education and the Board of General Synod and hereby instructs its Board to do all in its power to promote a closer relationship and fellowship in service.

10. That Synod reports its grateful appreciation of the faithful and efficient services rendered by Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart, D. D., as editor of the Sunday-school papers and assures him that his labors have greatly blessed the Church and its people.

11. The Synod learns with deep regret of the affliction of Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D. D., editor of the *Reformed Church Messenger* and commends him to the prayers and sympathy of the Church which he so dearly loves and served so well for many years.

Respectfully submitted,

PRESTON A. DELONG,

W. A. ALSPACH,

D. S. STEPHAN,

EMORY L. COBLENTZ.

HOWARD R. KNECHT.

The action taken on the foregoing report is as follows: The items were severally adopted; *Item 11* by a rising vote with additional instruction that the Corresponding Secretary inform Dr. Musser of this action. Following the presentation of the report Synod was addressed by Rev. Dr. F. Mayer on Doctrinal Instruction, and by Rev. Dr. Rufus W. Miller. The report was finally adopted as a whole.

10. THIRTEENTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Our first word in presenting a resume of the work of the Board of Foreign Missions for the past three years shall be an expression of deepest gratitude to Almighty God for His many blessings, and of sincere appreciation of the loyal and liberal support of our people in our work. There has been continued progress along all lines of missionary endeavor, in spite of the untoward conditions that prevail throughout the whole world. Among the people in non-Christian lands there is an eager readiness to hear the Gospel and a spirit receptive to its message. The Church at home is realizing in a new and compelling sense that "the real, the fundamental, the permanent object for which it exists on earth" is to interpret to others the revelation of God in Christ, making known His way among the people, His saving health among the nations. The world situation today emphasizes anew the fact that our nation can no longer live unto itself, or stand aloof from the rest of mankind. This consciousness opens up vast fields for service to those who are willing to join hands in the re-making of the world. With a full realization of the greatness of the task which the Lord has given us to perform as a Church, and the confident hope that in His own good time His Kingdom will come and His will be done through the prayers, labors and offerings of His people, we humbly lay before your Reverend Body a brief review of the work of your Board and of your missionaries in Japan and China.

THE WORK AT HOME

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Term 1911-1917—Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Rev. Albert S. Bromer, Rev. Irwin W. Hendricks, D. D., Elder John W. Appel, Esq., Elder David A. Miller, Elder William W. Anspach, Elder Murray Galt Motter, M. D.

Term 1914-1920—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Rev. Conrad Hassel, Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D., Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D., Elder Joseph L. Lemberger, Phar. D., Elder George F. Barcis, Elder Horace Ankeney.

REORGANIZATION

The members of the Board met for reorganization on June 2, 1914 in the Assembly Hall of the Reformed Church Building, Philadelphia, Pa. The only change in the personnel of the Board was the election of the Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D., who was chosen by the General Synod in place of the Rev. John H. Prugh, D. D. Dr. Prugh had been a faithful member of the Board for twenty-five years, serving as Vice-President and devoting much time to the work until failing health led him to decline re-election.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers were elected for the term of three years:

President—Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Vice-President—Hon. Horace Ankeney, Xenia, Ohio.

Secretary—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer—Rev. Albert S. Bromer, Philadelphia, Pa.

Treasurer Emeritus—Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, Lebanon, Pa.

The officers with Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D. and Elder David A. Miller were constituted the Executive Committee.

Additional Secretaries—Rev. Daniel Burghalter, D. D., Tiffin, Ohio and Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, Allentown, Pa., are the Field Secretaries. Mr. John H. Poorman, Philadelphia, Pa., is Secretary of the Mission Study Department carried on conjointly with the Board of Home Missions. Rev. William E. Lampe, Ph. D., is the Laymen's Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Finance—Elders William W. Anspach, Joseph L. Lemberger, P. D., and David A. Miller.

Literature—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., Rev. Albert S. Bromer and Rev. Conrad Hassel.

Home Base—Rev. Charles E. Creitz, D. D., Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D., Elder John W. Appel and Elder George F. Bareis.

Foreign Field—Elder Horace Ankeney, Elder Murray Galt Motter, M. D., Rev. Irwin W. Hendricks, D. D., and Rev. John M. G. Darms, D. D.

Representatives on United Missionary and Stewardship Committee—Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D. D., and Elder William W. Anspach.

TREASURER EMERITUS

After giving almost a quarter of a century of the most faithful and self-denying service to the Church as Treasurer of the Board, Elder Joseph L. Lemberger was made Treasurer Emeritus. Few men have served the Church so long and so well. He did what he could by voice and pen to show the Church the larger vision of service in her foreign missionary work, and he rejoices seeing that such labor has not been in vain in the Lord. The Board has made record of its appreciation by spreading on the Minutes the following tribute:

"In the election of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger as Treasurer Emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions with the specific duty of having in his charge and care the Endowment Funds of the Board,

"The Board hereby expresses its profound appreciation of the services rendered to the Board and to the Church by Dr. Lemberger during his term of office as Treasurer, extending over a period of twenty-four years. During most of this time his private credit was pledged to the payment of the obligations of the Board, and his shoulders were constantly under the burdens which the Board was carrying. His faith in the work, in the Church, and in God never wavered. When others faltered, he urged progressive action. His election as Treasurer Emeritus is an expression of the Board's honor and respect for him, and the commission of the Trust Funds of the Board into his care is a mark of the Board's confidence in his integrity and of his fidelity to his trust."

MEETINGS

Six meetings of the Board and sixteen meetings of the Executive Committee were held during the triennium.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

During the past three years the following missionaries have been at home on furlough:

From our Japan Mission—Rev. David B. Schneder, D. D., Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph. D., Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Miss Ollie A. Brick. Miss B. Catherine Pifer and Rev. Christopher Noss, D. D., have arrived during 1917.

From our China Mission—Prof. Horace R. Lequear, Miss Alice E. Traub, Dr. William F. Adams, Miss Rebecca N. Messimer, and Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D.

ILLNESS OF MISSIONARIES

There has been an unusual amount of illness among our missionaries during the past three years. The wives of Rev. Henry K. Miller and Rev. William A. Reimert had to come to this country for special treatment. Several of the missionaries in Japan and China have had to undergo operations. At this present time Prof. Horace R. Lequear is disabled for work. His recovery will be slow. He writes: "I am very sorry that when the Mission is so badly in need of men I must lay off so long."

There are no workers in the Church who are in greater peril of their health and who need the prayers of the Church as much as the men and women who are laboring in the remote places of the world. They look to us for our sympathy, confidence and support.

SUPPORT OF MISSIONARIES

The Board desires to record its appreciation of the support of individual missionaries by congregations, institutions and individuals. This has been one way of increasing the receipts of the Board, and it is the only way that our Church can hope to fulfill its high mission to the world. The Board is not unmindful of the

fact that this involves noble sacrificial giving on the part of at least some of these churches and institutions. What has been done by some can be done by others, and we ask the General Synod for a direct action to bring this to their attention.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

In order to afford poor but deserving boys and girls the benefit of a Christian education, it is necessary for the Board to encourage the Scholarship Funds. Great care is exercised by the teachers in our schools both in Japan and China so that only worthy students receive the benefits of these Scholarship Funds. The annual cost for the support of a student in North Japan College is \$40; in the Miyagi Girls' School, \$35; in the Bible Woman's Training School, Japan, \$37.50; in the Boys' and Girls' Schools at Yochow City and Shenchowfu, \$25. These contributions are known as "Scholarship Funds" and bear the names of the patrons. Reports will be sent once or twice a year by the principals of the schools, showing the progress the beneficiaries are making in their studies. It is the rule of the Board that all assignments must be made through its Secretary. Contributions for this special object should be sent direct to the Board.

THE STATION PLAN

The Station Plan still continues to be an ideal arrangement for those who desire to come into closer touch with the missionary work abroad by furnishing a definite object for their interest and gifts. Many individuals as well as societies and congregations are contributing towards the support of stations in Japan and China. The annual support of a station varies from \$200 to \$600. This includes the salaries of the native evangelist and Bible Woman, rent, travel and incidental expenses. The Board recommends to individuals, societies and congregations the Station Plan as a most attractive phase of the foreign work.

NEED OF CHAPELS

There are at least thirty cities and towns in Japan and ten in China where our Missions should help to provide houses of worship for the native Christians. All the reasons that are urged for a church or chapel in this country apply with ten-fold force for chapels in Japan and China. After the group of Christians is supplied with a suitable house of worship, not many years are required before they go to self-support. In places where there are no chapels the alternative is to rent ordinary houses. There are two serious objections to this: the one is, there is no furniture that can be used, and places for Christian purposes should have benches or pews; the other is that so long as the Church occupies a rented house, the people, especially the younger and more intelligent element of every community, have reason to doubt the permanency of the work. The cost of a chapel varies from \$500 to \$5000, according to the needs of the community. The Board asks the

General Synod to take special action urging congregations, societies and individuals to contribute Chapel Funds of \$1000 or \$500.

It is the judgment of Field Secretary Rupp, that "should our Church appropriate yearly \$5000 for chapels in Japan and \$3000 for China we could establish many permanent places of worship during the next ten years and as fast as it would be possible to man them. Knowing what our Church members did in the past, it should be possible for us by united prayers to find every year individuals throughout the Church, whom God has abundantly prospered to give these sums."

BEQUESTS

The bequests since the last General Synod meeting amount to \$13,561.99. This amount represents an increase of only about \$2000 over the previous triennium. The Board would remind the living of the responsibility of Stewardship and urge them in making their wills to include the work of Foreign Missions among the objects deserving of their remembrance. Several of the bequests during the past three years came into the treasury at most opportune times. We trust they may serve as inspiring examples to the members of means in our Church.

ANNUITY BONDS

It is with peculiar joy that the Board reports it has issued Annuity Bonds to members of the Church in the amount of \$22,050 during the past three years. An Annuity Bond offers a splendid method of "doing it now" for any who purpose giving to the work of Foreign Missions. By so doing, donors may receive the income upon their gift for life and have the satisfaction of knowing that such gifts will not be subject to the vicissitudes of settlement of estates or of any other depleting factor.

FOREIGN MISSION DAY

There is a growing interest on the part of pastors and people in regard to the observance of the second Sunday in February of each year as Foreign Mission Day. The Board aims to prepare the literature for this day with special reference to particular needs of the work in Japan and China. The Foreign Mission Day Services issued during the past three years were entitled, "The Prince of Peace," "God So Loved the World," "Lovest Thou Me?" The amount of the offerings for Foreign Mission Day, 1917, will be a record-breaker. The goal fixed was \$25,000, and this amount is assured. The money will be used towards the erection of the Woman's Hospital at Yochow City, China, and for the reopening of the Woman's Hospital at Shenchowfu which will be made possible by the re-location of the Boys' School.

The Board asks that the Epiphany Season of each year be again set apart as a season for special study, prayer and giving, to conclude with the observance by all our congregations and Sunday Schools of Foreign Mission Day on the second Sunday of February.

THE PRINCE OF PEACE FUND

One of the outstanding events of the past three years has been the gathering of the Prince of Peace Fund. Already at the meeting of the General Synod at Lancaster, Pa., the pastors and elders there assembled saw the necessity of some determined effort and the Synod assured the Board of its hearty coöperation in their plans for paying the debt, and providing the funds for additional workers, chapels, school and hospital buildings. It was the earnest hope of the members of the Board and their associated workers to raise a fund of \$250,000. This amount would have been sufficient to pay the entire indebtedness then resting on our work of Foreign Missions and to supply the most needy workers and equipment for both of our Missions. Rev. Jacob G. Rupp had special charge of the campaign, and with Rev. Daniel Burghalter, D. D., deserves special mention for excellent service rendered. While we are unable to report that the full amount of the Prince of Peace Fund has been secured, yet we are under lasting obligations to the many pastors and members for their hearty support in helping to raise \$123,416.66 towards the indebtedness of \$132,000, as of January 1st, 1914.

ONE DAY'S INCOME

Since the regular contributions from the apportionment and specials are inadequate to carry forward our work in Japan and China, the Board through the General Synod would appeal to the members of the Church, and especially to our wealthy members, to contribute one day's income for the accomplishment of our great task, namely, the re-claiming of ten million souls for Christ in the non-Christian world. We believe that we have many members who will give at least one day's income every year to Foreign Missions provided they are encouraged to do so. If our Church believes that the Gospel is for the whole world, she is surely ready to come to the help of her Board that is entrusted with this important work. The success of our work in Japan and China demands a larger income. The needs are great; God has given us the means. The plan, "One Day's Income," is reasonable and should commend itself to all our people.

VISIT TO THE FIELD

During the past year Rev. and Mrs. Jacob G. Rupp paid a visit to Japan and China for the purpose of acquiring personal knowledge of the various fields and their special problems. Brother Rupp has come back with a glowing report of our work and with the firm conviction that the Church has made a wise investment of her men and means in the establishing of our two flourishing Missions. He has seen the needs with his own eyes and he will plead with the Church that these should be met without delay.

CO-OPERATIVE WORK

It is with keen satisfaction that we allude to the splendid spirit of harmony prevailing among the agencies of the Church for the

extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the world. Through the publication of "The Outlook of Missions," in the Mission Study Department, and by the Summer Missionary Conferences, the Board has been coöperating with the Board of Home Missions, the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod, and with the Laymen's Missionary Movement and the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee, and we believe that these have been means for the strengthening of the forces in the home land.

"The Outlook of Missions" has a paid subscription list of 7750. This magazine is the organ of all the interests of Missions at home and abroad in our Church. It deserves a larger list of subscribers.

The Mission Study Department in charge of Mr. John H. Poorman is a most helpful agency in promoting an intelligent and systematic study of Missions. At the request of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Rev. James I. Good, D. D., LL. D., President of the Board, has prepared a Mission Study book on "Famous Reformers of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches," which has been published conjointly with the Board of Home Missions, and is being used during the observance of the 400th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation.

The Summer Missionary Conferences are growing in popularity as is evidenced by the fact that each year brings with it a demand from every section of our Church for the holding of new conferences.

The Board feels under grateful obligations to the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod in offering to provide the funds for the entire cost of rebuilding the Ziemer Memorial Girls' School from their Thank Offering Fund as also in pledging the required amount for the Second Recitation Hall of the Miyagi Girls' School. These grants, amounting to about \$30,000, will be in addition to the regular contributions during the triennium by the women towards the support of the general work among the women and children in Japan and China. No greater encouragement could have been given the Board at a time of need, and it is a new evidence of the generous impulses of our noble women who are always willing to respond to the call for service.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement continues to exert a powerful influence in enlisting the men of our Church for active service in the missionary enterprise. The Men's Missionary Congress in Salem Church, Allentown, Pa., on November 16-18, 1915, brought together more than a thousand representative pastors and laymen, and its influence has been felt throughout the Church.

FOREIGN MISSIONS CONFERENCE OF NORTH AMERICA

Among the interdenominational agencies with which our Board coöperates, there is none that offers greater value to the officers and members of the Board than the annual meetings of this Conference. This organization represents all the leading Foreign Mission Boards of the United States and Canada. Its meetings afford a breadth of vision of mission problems and give a deeper

insight into their solution than does any other organization. From the Board of Missionary Preparation, a special Committee of the Conference, our Board is receiving most helpful information in the raising of standards and the readjustment of methods of work.

FINANCES

The income of the Board for the triennium was \$521,849.32, an increase of \$161,266.15 over the former three years. Taking the actual expenditures of the past three years, namely, \$432,598.71, as a basis of the necessary expenses for the coming triennium, the cost of providing the immediate equipment and workers needed for our Japan and China Missions, maintaining these additional workers, estimated approximately at \$288,700, and the payment of the deficit as of December 31, 1916, \$45,437.16, making a total of \$766,735.87, the Board has voted to ask the General Synod through the United Missionary and Stewardship Committee for an annual appropriation of eighty cents per communicant member for the coming triennium,—this being the same amount as for the past triennium.

A STATEMENT OF NEEDS FOR THE TRIENNium

	<i>Fixed Annual Expenses</i>	<i>Triennial</i>
Japan Mission.....	\$85,000.00	
China Mission.....	45,000.00	
*Home expenses.....	30,000.00	
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	\$160,000.00	\$480,000.09

I. Japan Mission

Chapels:

Akita.....	\$4,500.00	
Ishinomaki.....	2,500.00	
Taira.....	4,500.00	
Koriyama.....	1,800.00	
Furukawa.....	1,800.00	
Tsurugaoka.....	1,800.00	
Sakata.....	1,800.00	
Shinjo.....	1,500.00	
Odaka.....	1,500.00	
Shiroishi.....	2,000.00	
Iwatsuki.....	1,500.00	
Oshi.....	1,000.00	
Kakuda.....	1,500.00	
Kanda (Tokyo).....	15,000.00	
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		\$42,700.00

School Buildings and Missionary Residences in Japan

Four kindergartens, lots and buildings.....	12,000.00
One Bible Woman's Training School, lot and residence...	12,000.00
North Japan College, additional land and buildings.....	25,000.00
Miyagi Girls' School, including equipment and additional residence.....	10,000.00
Residence for Rev. Henry K. Miller.....	6,000.00

* See pages 55-56.

Residence for Dr. Elmer H. Zaugg.....	4,000.00	
Residence for Prof. F. B. Nicodemus.....	4,000.00	
Residence for Rev. Paul F. Schaffner.....	4,000.00	
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		\$77,000.00

Missionaries for Japan

Two lady teachers for Miyagi Girls' School		
One missionary kindergartner		
One teacher in North Japan College		
Two families for the Yamagata-Akita field		
One family in Fukushima prefecture		
Three missionary ladies for evangelistic work		
Annual expenses.....	\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00
Outfit and travel to the field.....		7,000.00

II. China Mission

Hwa Yung Chapel and two missionary residences.....	\$15,000.00	
Missionary residence, Lakeside, Rev. Edwin A. Beek.....	3,500.00	
Union Theological School, Changsha.....	8,000.00	
Residence for Rev. Paul E. Keller, Changsha..	4,000.00	
Residences at Shenchowfu for Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Rev. J. W. Owen.....	8,000.00	
Three chapels.....	7,500.00	
Girls' school dormitory, Shenchowfu.....	8,000.00	
Kindergarten lot, building and residence....	6,000.00	
Additional equipment for schools and hospitals	5,000.00	
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		\$65,000.00

Missionaries for China

Two missionary families for evangelistic work at Yochow		
Two missionary families for evangelistic work at Hwa Yung		
One medical missionary for hospital work at Yochow		
One lady teacher for the Ziemer Girls' School at Yochow		
One teacher (man) for Lakeside Schools at Yochow		
One lady teacher for the Girls' School at Shenchow		
One medical missionary for hospital work at Shenchow		
One kindergartner		
Annual expenses.....	\$10,000.00	\$30,000.00
Outfit and travel.....		7,000.00

III. Moslem World

To open a Mission in the Moslem World.....	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
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IV. Emergencies

	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
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Recapitulation

Fixed annual expenses for triennium.....	\$480,000.00
Chapels in Japan.....	42,700.00
School buildings and residences.....	77,000.00
Ten missionaries, Japan.....	37,000.00
Chapels and residences in China.....	65,000.00

Ten missionaries, China.....	37,000.00	
Moslem World Mission.....	15,000.00	
Emergencies.....	15,000.00	
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	\$768 700.00	
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Total.....		\$814,137.16

THE WORK ABROAD

A glimpse of the nations as they are today shows a world in despair and death. There is need everywhere for the transforming power of the Gospel. Thanks be to God, men are hungry for the Bread of Life, and they are calling to us across the seas for it.

In Japan the need is increasingly felt for a religion that will give moral stamina to the nation. There is great commercial prosperity, largely due to war conditions. This prosperity relates itself to Christian work in that the contributions to Church work increase, and more young people have the means to attend our schools. The war does not retard the progress of the Gospel. Either because of it, or in spite of it, Christian work is exceptionally prosperous at the present time. Christian schools have more applicants than the buildings can hold; inquirers are more numerous than before; the revivals conducted by Kimura, Kanamori, and Yamamuro are unusually successful. There is a great demand for Christian literature as a result of the three years' evangelistic campaign. The Japanese Government has a kindly feeling towards Christian work. Over one-half of the number of special decorations conferred by the Emperor at the time of his Coronation were given to Christians. The friendly feeling existing between Japan and the United States is stronger now than for the past ten years.

But Japan needs the Gospel. Her very success in so many different material lines makes this need so much the more imperative. It has been said that agnosticism and philosophical pessimism constitute the main cause of her annual quota of two hundred and fifty suicides to every one million population. The moral status of both city and country life shows the sad need of a Power that makes for righteousness and purity.

Missionaries write that there is intellectual progress but moral decay. The Christian forces in Japan are calling loudly for more help from the Church in America to help evangelize rural Japan. The Pacific does not separate us from Japan—it unites the two countries. If Japan is to get the Gospel it must come from the American side. It cannot come from Asia. This is a great challenge and opportunity to our Church. Now is the time for advance, when the Protestant missionaries are united in a forward movement and call for five hundred new missionaries to “buy up the opportunity.”

“China,” says Bishop Bashford, “is not only a giant awake, but is pacing the floor with growing pains.” Many years ago

Prof. Henry Drummond already saw in China "the greatest mission field in the world." It is this without a rival. It is so because this great republic is open to the missionaries, its government is favorable to reforms, and its people are ready for a new civilization. The whole nation seems alive to the need of modern education. The death of Yuan Shih Kai and the accession of President Li Yuan Hung has brought a degree of quiet, and there is hope that the mighty nation will settle down to solving its problems. There is a yearning among the people for the light that streams from the Word of God. Students gather in crowds to hear the message of salvation. One student writes: "We accept the Western system of education, of science and history and mathematics; why should we not also take the religion of Jesus Christ which comes from the West?"

The missionaries have access to the life of the people as never before, and in the time of suffering their message has been more welcomed than in the days of prosperity. One of the most timely and widely current words in the Chinese Church is "evangelism." The door stands wide open for all forms of evangelization. There is great willingness to listen and less opposition than ever before. "West China has never been so open to the Gospel as today." The cry of need in China is for a million school teachers to teach the sixty million pupils, and for an army of physicians and nurses to minister to the dying multitudes. There is a unique opportunity for the Christian Church to mould the future of China.

NEW MISSIONARIES

One dark shadow resting upon the work of the Board during the past triennium is the fact that we have been unable to add workers to our forces on the foreign field. With forces depleted and openings unheeded, the new missionaries have not even filled the vacancies caused by resignations and death. This was due both to lack of sufficient funds and of suitable candidates. The names of those entering upon the service of the Board are as follows:

For the Japan Mission: Rev. Alfred Ankeney, Xenia, Ohio, son of Hon. Horace Ankeney, a member of the Board; Rev. Paul F. Schaffner, Hummelstown, Pa. Prof. F. B. Nicodemus, formerly teacher under the Japanese government in Formosa, united with our Mission at a financial sacrifice which he gladly made for the privilege of engaging in direct missionary work. Miss Elsie J. Seymour of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Lola Lindsey of Coffeyville, Kansas, were appointed as short term teachers in the Miyagi Girls' School, Sendai.

For the China Mission: Prof. Karl H. Beck, Tiffin, Ohio; Miss Elizabeth J. Miller, Akron, Ohio; Miss Marion P. Firor, Sabillasville, Md. Rev. J. W. Owen, missionary for thirteen years under the China Inland Mission, united with our Mission in the fall of 1916.

The following persons are under appointment:

For Japan: Mr. Oscar M. Stoudt of Quakertown, Pa. He will graduate this year from Franklin and Marshall College, and he is a member of the First Reformed Church, Quakertown, Pa.

For China: Miss Esther I. Sellemeyer of Decatur, Ind. She will graduate this year from Heidelberg University, and she is a member of Zion's Reformed Church, Decatur, Ind.

RESIGNATIONS OF MISSIONARIES

From the Japan Mission: Rev. Jesse F. Steiner, Ph. D.; Miss Margaret J. Leader.

From the China Mission: Miss Anna C. Kanne, Miss Meta M. Bridenbaugh (married Prof. Karl H. Beck).

DIED

One of the sad providences in our work was the loss by death of Rev. Herman H. Cook of Yamagata, Japan. He died of pneumonia in Tokyo, April 7, 1916. His funeral took place at Sendai, April 9, 1916. Missionary Cook gave thirteen years of his life to the Master's service on the mission field. He was a man who tried to make full proof of his holy calling. No hardships were too severe for him to endure on his long and tedious itinerating trips. He knew that the Truth would bear fruit, and for that reason he was instant in season and out of season in proclaiming it. Why he should be taken away from his work so early in life and in the midst of such great usefulness will remain a mystery to us. Our duty is to accept this strange providence as coming from a Loving Father with the assurance that it will work good to them that love and serve Him. Brother Cook leaves a widow and six orphan girls to mourn his loss.

In the booklet entitled "The Apostle of Ryo-U" the Board has tried to gather up a few threads in the life of an humble servant who became a great factor in making the Gospel known in the large Yamagata and Akita prefectures in Japan. It is hoped that its perusal will inspire the members in our home churches with a greater zeal for good and arouse in them a deeper sense of responsibility in the reclaiming of souls. The closing words of his last letter to the Secretary of the Board should be a challenge to the Church: "The work is beginning to grow so fast that I cannot manage it much longer alone. I appeal to you and to the Church for aid."

MISSIONARY RESIDENCES

A number of our missionaries in Japan and China are without homes. As a result these workers are living in discomfort and they are not able to do their best work. This need has been before the Church for years. The Board realizes now more than ever that proper houses should be provided for all our missionaries. The average missionary residence in Japan and China costs from

\$2500 to \$3500, exclusive of land. Building in Japan and China in recent years is quite as expensive as at home. Land values are also increasing at a surprising rate. Rev. Henry K. Miller of Tokyo, Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg, Ph. D., and Prof. F. B. Nicodemus of Sendai, Rev. Paul F. Schaffner of Wakamatsu, Rev. Edwin A. Beck of Yoehow City, Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Rev. J. W. Owen of Shenchowfu, and Rev. Paul E. Keller of Changsha are still without suitable homes.

SALARIES OF MISSIONARIES

Owing to the extraordinary increase in the cost of living expenses in Japan and China which is even greater than in America, our missionaries, especially in Japan, have made request for an increase in salaries. In China the loss due to exchange into silver money has greatly reduced the purchasing value of the missionary's salary. In the churches at home the members are beginning to relieve their pastors by increasing their salaries, and we owe the same consideration to our workers on the foreign field. The salaries of our missionaries are the same now as they were thirty-eight years ago when our Church began the Japan Mission and yet the prices of everything in the Orient have gone up on an average of about 100%.

The Committee of the Japan Mission appointed to investigate the matter of missionaries' salaries has assured the Board that only dire necessity impels the Mission to appeal to the Board for relief in the matter of support, the situation having become acute. They have sent this brief explanation of their report on salaries and allowances: "The difficulty of living on our salaries has been steadily increasing. Several missionaries are in debt with not very good prospects of getting out if there is no increase in salary. Others are obliged to exercise strict economy and go without things in order to be able to meet their obligations from month to month. Books are among the things that must be foregone. We believe that we are not extravagant in our habits. We regret that this request has to be made in the face of the Board's indebtedness. Partly on that account we have been silent since our first petition was made. However, our straitened circumstances have forced us to renew our appeal."

Without entering into unnecessary details the Committee submits the following recommendations, believing that, in view of all circumstances, they represent a fair mean between two extremes:

SALARIES		
	Married	Single men and women
First 5 years.....	\$1300	\$750
6 to 15 years.....	1400	800
16 to 20 years.....	1500	850
After 20 years.....	1600	900

CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCES

From 1 to 7 years of age.....	\$50
From 8 to 14 years of age.....	100
From 15 to 21 years of age.....	200

Dr. Arthur J. Brown says: "The fact should be borne in mind that centuries of Christian civilization on the one hand and of heathen barbarism on the other have created a wide gulf between the methods of living of Heathenism and Christendom. A white man who is the product of these centuries of civilization simply cannot bridge that gulf and live as his ancestor did five hundred years ago. Therefore for him to be careful and for the Boards to equip him so that he can be careful is not luxury or extravagance but common prudence. His better house and mode of living are themselves an object lesson of the uplifting influence of Christianity. He goes out to lift the heathen up to his level, not to go down to theirs."

UNION THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

Three years ago the Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., the United Evangelical Church, the Wesleyan Methodist Church and our own Church in the Province of Hunan united in the establishing of a Union Theological School at Changsha, the capital of the province. Our Board gave the Mission permission to enter this union theological institution. Rev. Paul S. Keller has been appointed by the Mission as one of the professors. Our proportionate share of the running expenses per year is about \$200. The Board has contributed \$2000 toward the buildings and we will be expected to contribute an additional \$6000. It will also be necessary to provide a residence for our professor.

UNION MEDICAL SCHOOL

The Mission also contributes \$250 annually toward the Union Medical School at Hankow. We regard this as a wise investment, for several of our native physicians are graduates of this school.

LANGUAGE SCHOOLS

It is a fixed rule with our Missions both in Japan and China that all new missionaries for Japan must spend one year in the Language School at Tokyo, and for China one year in the Language School at Nanking. This arrangement permits the new missionaries to apply themselves without any interruption to the study of a most difficult language.

SCHOOLS FOR FOREIGN CHILDREN

One of the most serious problems that has been facing the Missions and the Boards in the past is the education of the children of the missionaries. Fortunately, this problem is being solved by Schools in Tokyo and Shanghai. The first children of our Japan Mission to avail themselves of this privilege were those of Rev.

and Mrs. H. H. Cook, and of our China Mission those of Rev. and Mrs. William A. Reimert.

During the past triennium the Board has contributed \$860 towards the maintenance of the Tokyo Grammar School. Negotiations are under way with the School at Shanghai that will enable our missionaries to place their children in the School at greatly reduced rates.

CLASSIS OF HUNAN

Two years ago the Classis of Hunan in China petitioned the Eastern Synod to permit of its dissolution in order to further the movement of bringing the native congregations of our Mission into organic union with the Native Church, known as the Presbyterian Church of Christ in China. The Eastern Synod expressed its willingness to dissolve said Classis, provided it met with the approval of the Board of Foreign Missions and was done in accordance with the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States. The Board acquiesced in this action, and now reports the same to your reverend body. The Christians in China have no desire to perpetuate sectarian lines in founding churches, and the missionaries are helping them in carrying out this laudable purpose.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE IN THE MISSION FIELD

Since the World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh in 1910, the subject of Christian literature has been receiving much careful attention. Leaders in the missionary enterprise are of one mind that in order to secure the permanency of the labors of missionaries, it is necessary to create and maintain a Christian literature. This is a work that cannot be successfully carried on by a single Board. The only hope lies in coöperation between all the Societies at the home-base. Important conferences have been held during the past three years, and it is the unanimous conviction of the leading minds in foreign lands and in the homeland, that literary work should have its place side by side with educational, medical and philanthropic work in the program and in the budget of every Board. Religious book-shops should be established in strategic centers, and all missionaries should understand the importance of a wise distribution of tracts, leaflets and books. Our Missions both in Japan and China are awake to the need for suitable Christian literature, and they have been asking the Board for special annual grants of money to help them in coöperative ways to strengthen this arm of the Christian service on the foreign field.

JAPAN MISSION

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. Jairus P. Moore, D. D.; Rev. Christopher Noss, D. D.; Rev. Henry K. Miller; Rev. Carl D. Kriete; Rev. Alfred Ankeney; and Miss B. Catherine Pifer—Missionaries in Charge.

Remembering that upon these few evangelistic missionaries rests the direct responsibility of reaching with the message of the Gospel the three and one-half millions of the population in Japan for whom we are responsible, it is no surprise that all their reports and letters should ring loudly with appeals for additional workers. The number of missionaries in the evangelistic service of our Mission, in proportion to the number of Japanese workers, is extremely low as compared with the ratios that prevail in other Missions. The result is that an evangelistic missionary living in the country, when he is not itinerating, finds his time occupied by administrative duties, and he is unable to do much work or exercise much influence in the city where he resides, not to speak of language study or correspondence with the home base. There is an urgent request on the part of the Mission that as a first step to relieve the situation a competent stenographer be sent out immediately. Such a person could relieve the missionaries of much routine work so that they would be free to apply themselves to do specific evangelistic work. The Mission office could also attend to reports, estimates, audits and other clerical work, and could see to it that proper information is regularly sent to supporters in America.

The statistics of the past year show commendable signs of progress. The war has had no unfavorable influence along this line. The fears expressed by many at the beginning of the war as to the retarding effect it might have upon Mission work have, fortunately, not materialized, and the prophets of evil have been agreeably disappointed. On the contrary, in one or two respects, the effect has been for good. First, it has made thinking men and women more serious, and again many Japanese Christians have realized that at a time when so-called Christian nations are so flagrantly trampling under foot the principles of our religion, and of humanity, we ought to be the more faithful and earnest in our individual Christian life in order to counteract, as far as possible, the prejudice and evil influences of the present state of things in the world at large.

The three years' Evangelistic Campaign conducted in our field was especially fruitful. Thousands of people gave their names as inquirers. In centers like Sendai, Yamagata and Wakamatsu the effects of Mr. Kanamori's work have been most encouraging. In Sendai there were more than two hundred inquirers. At the meetings held in Wakamatsu one hundred and eighty-eight persons were led to profess to follow Christ, and two-thirds of these expressed a preference for our Church, which is but one of the six Christian bodies in the city.

At Yamagata a number of counties held a joint Fair. The Christians put up a tent at the Fair and conducted daily preaching services for about six weeks. Many people were reached in this way, and a large number of seekers was secured. Wherever a real effort was made, results were sure to follow. Our missionaries are daily given evidence that the Japanese people as a whole are

most kindly disposed toward all foreigners. Dr. William Adams Brown in his addresses well said that the tendency to brotherhood is stronger than the tendency to mistrust, and that international suspicion is so unnatural that it has to be cultivated artificially. Some Nationalists and some Buddhists still oppose and malign the missionaries.

In 1916 our annual Evangelistic Conference was held in Yonezawa. The churches of the city gave these Christian workers a public reception in the City Assembly Hall, at which the Mayor and principal citizens united in welcoming them, and a son of the former Lord of Yonezawa, a member of our Church, personally performed an ancient dance in honor of our missionaries. This reception was typical. What the missionaries have to do is to make good.

The Fukushima Church has become self-supporting, due in large measure, to having been provided with a proper house of worship about seven years ago.

At Iizaka the Mission purchased a very desirable lot with two old buildings. These buildings have been combined and transformed into a neat little chapel, the whole plant costing less than \$500. The Christians at Iizaka will pay the entire amount. Dr. Noss has furnished a most interesting story, which he entitles "A Miracle at Iizaka." It is as follows:

"It was the evening of Ash Wednesday, March 8, 1916. The little congregation at Iizaka had gathered for prayer. The attendance was unusually small; only seven were present, and these felt depressed. A month previously, at the close of the year according to the old calendar, they had agreed to buy at a bargain a little lot of ground right in the center of the town, an ideal location. There were two old buildings on the lot, and they had planned to roll them together and remodel them so as to make a neat little chapel and rooms for the Sunday School. But, as is always the case in such an enterprise, the cost was going far beyond their first estimate. At this time they were especially discouraged to hear that one hundred and fifty feet of foundation stones would be required, and the cost of the stone would be \$20 (in American money). To an American congregation this would not be at all a large sum, but to the seven at Iizaka it seemed impossible. Added to all the other charges it was the last straw. The mason had explained that at the quarry where the people of Iizaka are wont to get their building stone a large block high up on the side would have to be removed before it would be safe to take out any more.

"Now the seven have just the kind of faith that the Lord delights to honor. In their depression they prayed intensely. While they were praying the place was shaken by a single violent earthquake jar.

"The next morning the mason came and revised his estimate; the foundation stones, he said, would cost only half of what he

had stated. In the night the large block had been thrown down and split into convenient pieces at a convenient place.

"Some may call it a coincidence; but our friends at Iizaka call it a miracle."

The congregation at Shiroishi has, without aid from the Mission, raised nearly \$500, bought additional land, removed the old chapel to the rear of the lot and rebuilt it in such a way that it can be used temporarily as a chapel and permanently as a parsonage.

The Koishikawa Church in Tokyo is making rapid strides towards self-support. This congregation owes its origin and much of its growth to the earnest and self-effacing labors of Miss Pifer, and is in itself one of the best proofs of woman's work, as also an eager call to the Church to supply other women evangelists.

The Akita chapel will be erected during the year 1917. This is a city of 40,000, the capital of the province and a most inviting field for missionary effort. The location of a foreign missionary here is imperative.

The work at Azabu in Tokyo was started two years ago by Rev. Shohei Arai with very encouraging prospects, but this devoted servant of God died ere he could see his expectations realized. Our missionary Henry K. Miller is directing the work, but it is important to provide a chapel without delay.

At Shinjo the people are most anxious to have a church property at once. They are willing to do their share. A Christian resident, guest member of our Church, has made an offer of a suitable site for a church building if the Mission will build this year. Not only will we receive the land outright, but the members of the church have already deposited about \$100 with the Mission Treasurer for the building and are busy at work on the second \$100. A very earnest railroad superintendent, having the oversight of about two hundred and fifty men, has joined the church. Missionary Kriete writes: "An order to build accompanied by the necessary money would greatly encourage the Christians just now. Could you not make known to some earnest layman this opportunity to successfully invest \$360?"

Taira, one of the strategic centers in our field along the coast line railroad, should be supplied with a chapel. The cost will be about \$3000. Towards it the Board has one Chapel Fund of \$500, known as "The Christian and Lewis Henry Steiner Memorial Fund."

In the Evangelistic Report for the past year Dr. Noss writes: "One of the most fruitful forms of evangelization is going about from village to village twice a year or oftener and supplying suitable literature to the inquirers found. Some who demand baptism and prove worthy to receive it are enrolled in the nearest congregation, which in some cases, is fifty or sixty miles distant."

The late missionary, Rev. Herman H. Cook, pursued methods of evangelistic work which deserve a place in this report. We quote his own language as follows:

"As a rule we take a revolving duplicator, a magic lantern, a big bundle of tracts and a Sunday School picture roll with us. Travelling on an auto-cycle with side car, we fly through the country at the rate of about fifteen miles an hour. Arriving at a place in a village where we can easily gather a crowd of people we stop, blow the horn for a few minutes and sing a hymn. By this time from twenty-five to one hundred people have gathered around us to learn what the excitement is about. We now take out the picture roll, and after a few introductory words begin to explain a picture, with the people listening intently. While one of us explains, the other distributes tracts. After telling the people how they can obtain further instruction in Christianity, we bid them farewell and go on to the next village, where we repeat the same, and so on, till we reach the place where we expect to hold a meeting in the evening."

A very hopeful but often overlooked aspect of the work of spreading the Gospel in Japan is the fact that thousands of the Japanese men and women who, through our efforts during the past thirty-eight years, have become Christians and have been baptized by our workers, are scattered over the whole Empire; not a few of them are living in Korea, China, and the western part of the United States. Many of these members are powerful centers of Christian influence—active particles of the Gospel leaven that do a much more far-reaching and effective work in the Lord's vineyard than would have been possible if they had stayed in the place where they were baptized. Though their names can no longer be included in our Mission statistics, most of them continue to hold their membership in the Church of Christ in Japan. This Japanese Church is the largest Protestant body in Japan, having a membership of 35,000. To this Church, in cooperation with the Missions of the Presbyterian Churches and the Reformed Church in America, our Mission contributes its quota of members. This quota, last year, amounted to 385 members.

THE "BILLY SUNDAY" OF JAPAN

It is to our Church a matter of justifiable pride that Reverend Seimatsu Kimura, the "Billy Sunday" of Japan, is one of our North Japan College boys. He struggled his way through school by working in our Industrial Home. Many years ago he came to America to hear Mr. Moody and learn from him. Later he again came to this country to study the methods of Billy Sunday. Kimura is a man of prayer and of magnetic eloquence in the pulpit, and is now leading thousands of souls into the Kingdom.

BIBLE WOMAN'S WORK

The Bible Woman's work is in charge of a Special Committee, and is an important branch of evangelism. This Committee has the oversight of the Bible Women at the various outstations, supports the students in training in the Higher Bible Course in the

Miyagi Girls' School, pays the expenses of the Sunday School workers sent out by the school to Sunday Schools in and around Sendai, and fosters kindergarten work.

A special feature of the Committee's work is the work among the silk factory girls. Some of these girls are obliged to work from five o'clock in the morning until ten o'clock at night, seven days a week, with less than two hours off during the entire day for meals. They are given two holidays a month. One of our zealous workers is seeking new ways of influencing the lives of thousands of girls who work under such inhuman conditions in the silk factories.

Considerable progress has been made in the Bible Woman's work in recent years. The number of workers has been increasing, and the needs of the work have been specially brought to the attention of the Church. The hope is expressed that the class of workers may be gradually improved, as well as the number increased, and that the work may have more adequate supervision.

At the present time there are great difficulties in the way. The demand for Bible Women far exceeds the supply. One reason why the workers are so scarce is because the Mission has not been able to provide proper training. Girls with a definite purpose to do evangelistic work have not been able to get their preparation in a partial course such as ours has been in the past. The Mission hopes to remove this difficulty by the training course now in operation in the Miyagi Girls' School.

In reporting for the Bible Woman's Committee, Miss Brick says: "Another great difficulty is the lack of women missionaries. To do this work properly and to make it count as it should, there should be at least three or four foreign missionary women in evangelistic work. There is at present only one woman in evangelistic work, and there is no one at all who is in a position to give all of her time to the work of the Bible Women. There are so many practical difficulties, big and little, in the carrying out of this work, and so many different things that need to be done that it is impossible for anyone to do it unless it can be her main work.

"We believe in Japanese women; we believe in what they are going to accomplish for their country; and we wish to have a worthy share in helping them to accomplish their task. The time has come for our Mission to put aside the old half-way method of training Bible Women and to make adequate provision for producing such women workers as are needed now throughout all our work; and also for giving the workers in the field proper guidance and care."

KINDERGARTEN WORK

At the present time the Mission has two kindergartens in operation. The one at Yamagata occupies temporary quarters, and the one at Miharu uses the chapel. Buildings should be provided for the purpose at a minimum cost of \$1000 (not including the

land), together with a sufficient playground, and initial outfit, including organ, and costing about \$150. In some instances the plant may well be made the home of the local Sunday School and even temporary meeting place of the congregation. Each kindergarten should be supplied with a Japanese Christian kindergartner and an assistant, the former having at least two years' special training. It is very important that the kindergartner, through mothers' meetings and in similar ways, should be able to follow up the work and make it tell for the evangelization of the community. The Mission recommends, as the first step towards the ideal, that a woman specialist be sent to take charge of the kindergarten work of the Mission. The Board has encouraged the opening of a third kindergarten at Sendai, and has voted \$640 this year for kindergarten work, which the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod will assume. There is no more inviting or effective field for Christian work than the kindergarten. Given the proper facilities which will meet the government requirements, a large part of the expenses can be obtained from tuition fees.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

In Japan the Sunday School is a very popular form of Christian work. Dr. Faust makes the startling statement that probably one million of children could be gotten into the Sunday School inside of a month if there were houses and the necessary teachers. Dr. Faust has had an experience of over twenty-five years in Sunday School work, fifteen of these in Japan, and he has been one of the leaders in the development of the Sunday School work in North Japan. His "Text-Book on Religious Pedagogy and Hand-Book for School Workers in Japan," has proven an instrument of great use in preparing Sunday School officers and teachers in their work. The Reformed Church should rejoice that one of its best missionaries, engaged with so many other duties, has been able to find time to prepare such a valuable book as this. How important it is will be seen by mentioning the fact that we have in connection with our Japan Mission 89 Sunday Schools which have 249 teachers and an average attendance of 4454 pupils.

EDUCATIONAL WORK

We know of no better words that will convey to the Church the value of her Christian schools in foreign lands than the closing words of Acting President T. Demura's report on North Japan College for 1916. He says: "It is our growing conviction that the destiny of the Kingdom of God in Japan, and the hope of salvation of this country men will ultimately depend upon effective Christian Education. Anyone who understands the real nature of Japanese people will not fail to appreciate that any gift, any help, and any sacrifice done for the Christian Education of this country is the best investment for the cause of the Gospel."

NORTH JAPAN COLLEGE

Teachers—Rev. David B. Schneder, D. D.; Prof. Paul L. Gerhard; Rev. William G. Seiple, Ph. D.; Rev. Ehner H. Zaugg, Ph. D.; Miss Mary E. Gerhard, and Prof. F. B. Nicodemus.

North Japan College is the largest educational institution of our Reformed Church. It has a nation-wide influence. Last year one hundred and fifty applicants could not enter for lack of room. At the Commencement exercises, held on March 27, 1917, there were 51 graduates from the Middle School Department (Academy); 10 from the Literary Course (College); and 6 from the Theological Special Course (Seminary),—making a total of 67. The audience of friends was large, and at no other school commencement of the city was there such a large attendance of leading men. Besides the Governor, the Mayor, and the General in command of the army division garrisoned at Sendai, who all delivered congratulatory addresses, there were present also the President of the Imperial University of Sendai, the Ex-Mayors, a member of Parliament, and others of distinction. The Governor in his address praised the institution as a character-building agency, and said that society expects the graduates to realize in their lives the Christian character-teaching they have received.

Of the 51 Middle School graduates, 29 are baptized Christians; of the 10 Literary Course graduates, 8 are Christians. Of the 10 Literary graduates, 4 intend to study for the ministry. Of the six theological graduates five have already been assigned to fields of labor; the sixth is a Korean, the first to graduate from the institution, who will probably spend one year more in Japan before he takes up work in his native country. He will probably be heard of in the years to come as one of the leaders in the Korean Church. The entire theological class was a strong one this year, and will make a substantial addition to our evangelistic force.

Notwithstanding this splendid report, in view of the great mission of the school, and in view of the great progress and improvement in the non-Christian schools, we should not be satisfied, but strive to strengthen the school for more effective service in the cause of Christ.

Dr. David B. Schneder, President of North Japan College, writes: "The largest and one of the most pressing needs at present is the need of a building or buildings for the College Department. North Japan College has a fine Middle School or Academy building, erected in 1905; also a good Theological Seminary building, erected in 1890; but it has no College building. The college work is done in several small rooms constructed years ago for another purpose. The result of this situation is that while the Academy work is flourishing numerically, educationally, and spiritually, and has won national reputation, the College, in spite of faithful effort, cannot fulfill its mission as an arm of the Church's missionary work in Japan.

"(a) It cannot furnish the strong, efficient, native ministry that is needed for the work in Japan.

"(b) It cannot send out into the other walks of life the strong, intelligent Christian laity that is needed in the life of the Japanese Church. The graduates of our Academy who go as baptized Christians up into the higher government schools or out into life, are, as a rule, too immature in their Christianity to make strong Christian leaders.

"(c) The institution cannot become the strong Christian center in North Japan which it is its responsibility to become in view of the fact that it is the only Christian school for young men in North Japan. The institution has a mission to the whole future of Christianity in North Japan.

"Other institutions have gone ahead in the equipment of their College work. Of the five other Christian schools in Japan of the type of North Japan College, two already have their College buildings and two others are now building, one of them at a cost of over \$100,000. There is an additional reason for going forward—there is now a movement on foot to establish a great interdenominational Christian University in Tokyo, for purely professional education. It is a movement that is essential to the firm establishment of Christianity in the Japanese Empire. But such a University will call for the full equipment of the College Departments of the several Christian schools now existing. North Japan College must be in line for the sake of the great general cause of winning Japan for Christ."

During the furlough of Dr. Schneder, and during the stay of Mrs. Schneder a campaign is being waged to raise a fund for additional land and buildings. Already several very liberal contributions have been made to this fund.

THE INDUSTRIAL HOME

Rev. Ezra H. Guinther—Missionary in Charge.

This Home helps worthy boys to obtain a Christian education. Thirty boys have been in the Home during the past year. Twenty-two are Christians, and the boys that have not yet become Christians are those who have been in the Home only one or two years. One boy who had been in the Home for four years died of pneumonia. He was baptized by Dr. Schneder just before his return to America on his last furlough. He was a faithful Christian and well liked by his associates.

Missionary Guinther writes: "The one regret that we have is that the boys do not have a better building for their home. The doctor who cared for the boy that died said that if they had had a better place to put the boy his life might have been saved, but that this building was no place for a sick boy. The former Monitor, who is one of the most earnest Christians that I know of, influenced by the death of this boy and the poor condition of the building, although fully intending to enter the Theological School

this spring to prepare himself for evangelistic work, has for the present given this up and has gone out to earn money that a better building may be provided for the Industrial Home. By the time he will be able to do this the building will have long ceased to be a fit place for a person to live in. \$2500 would build a good home for the boys. We have at present a Building Fund of \$250. Is there not some one who would be willing to provide the funds so that the boys who are trying so hard to get an education may have a fit place in which to live?"

DECORATED BY THE EMPEROR

That the nation recognizes the fine work the North Japan College is doing for its young manhood was evidenced by His Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, in granting the decoration of the Fourth Order of the Rising Sun to Dr. Schneder, the President of North Japan College, in appreciation of his educational work in Japan, and of his efforts in the maintenance of friendly relations between Japan and America. The "Kahoku-Shimpo," one of the Sendai dailies and the leading newspaper in northern Japan, in making the announcement of this special honor, said: "Dr. Schneder not merely loves Japan, but he has the disposition not to hesitate to make any sacrifice in the expression of this love. The love of most Occidentals for Japan is limited to admiration of her fine arts, of her beautiful scenery or of her gentle national spirit; but Dr. Schneder's love for Japan is of that self-sacrificing kind that loves for the sake of loving Japan herself. By this we know what his spirit is towards Japan." The Church may well felicitate herself that a member of our Mission has been thus honored, and we know that the honor has been richly deserved.

MIYAGI GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Rev. Allen K. Faust, Ph. D., Miss Kate I. Hansen, Miss Lydia A. Lindsey; Miss Elsie Seymour and Miss Lola Lindsey, short-term teachers.

This institution for young women shares the honors with our institution for young men. There has been a strengthening of her stakes and a lengthening of her cords during the past three years. The School now has a regular Board of Managers, with a Constitution to govern its workings. In the Higher Department there are four courses: (1) English; (2) Music; (3) Domestic Science; and (4) Bible.

The new dormitory for the Bible Woman's School will accommodate twenty-four students. Since 1914 the number of students has increased from 150 to 211, the faculty has been decidedly strengthened, and the educational efficiency of the school much enhanced. The religious life and activity is steadily growing, and the confidence of the people has been gained to an unprecedented degree. As one proof of this fact, last year there were ten daughters of military officers in the school. It is a well known

fact that the military class has long been the strongest opponent of Christianity in Japan. But this opposition is now quietly breaking down to such an extent that the leaders are bringing their daughters to the school that they may receive a Christian education.

Principal Faust writes: "The Miyagi Girls' School is still in the infancy of its usefulness, and in many points the institution does not yet measure up to what it must be if it is to utilize to the full the splendid opportunities that lie before it. But the fact that it has made solid and unmistakable advance in not a few directions will be to the hearts of our Reformed people a strong encouragement towards doing still greater things, and a fit cause for humble gratitude to Him, Who, after our planting and watering, alone 'giveth the increase.'"

The Miyagi Girls' School has more applicants than it can accommodate. The students come from Government schools and seek admission. It has become necessary to hold competitive examinations for entrance. The school has a firm hold on Japanese society. Seventy per cent. of the students are baptized Christians,—the highest percentage of all Christian schools in Japan. As an evangelistic force its influence is well nigh incalculable. Students not only become intelligent Christians, but they go out and teach in the Sunday Schools. Many of the graduates become Christian mothers and they establish Christian homes, and these in turn build a Christian nation.

To the honor of our Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod be it said that they not only contribute liberally towards the maintenance of the school, but they are also supplying the funds for the erection of the Second Recitation Hall, a building that will cost about \$17,000. This will supply a great need and it will make it possible for the school to lay hold of golden opportunities.

TRANSFER OF EVANGELISTIC WORK

The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America and our own Japan Mission have unanimously sent a Proposal to the two respective Boards, urging them separately and jointly to accede to it sympathetic and careful consideration. They regard this Proposal of the greatest importance to the cause of Christ in Japan.

This Proposal is that the evangelistic work of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America in the prefectures of Iwate and Aomori (see cut on following page) shall be transferred to the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States. In brief, this work consists of two stations and seven outstations, each in charge of an evangelist, and requires an expenditure, apart from the salary and expenses of a missionary, of about \$3000 a year. Both Missions have come to a practical unanimity upon the subject of transfer, and their judgment is clear that the proposed action is greatly to the advantage of both Missions, will advance

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the general welfare of the Kingdom of Christ in Japan, and will especially be favorable to the development of the Nippon Kirisuto Kyokwai (Church of Christ in Japan), with which these two Missions are connected and for which they are working. This is also the unanimous verdict of the leading Japanese workers in this Church. It should be stated that the native pastors and evangelists of both Missions belong to one and the same ecclesiastical body, namely, the Miyagi Classis.

The main reasons for the transfer of this work at this time are as follows: On the part of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America there is a feeling that its missionaries are too widely scattered, coupled with a perception that a large work is awaiting it in Kyushu, the southern island,—a work sufficiently large to call for all of its energies. On the part of our Mission the foremost considerations are a perception of the justice of the position taken by the sister Mission, and a conviction that, in the providence of God, its educational institutions in Sendai, with all the work that necessarily centers in that city, give the Mission such a position that the work in Aomori and Iwate prefectures falls naturally within its sphere of influence.

"It is, therefore, in the spirit of mutual confidence, of larger vision, and of faith in God and in the Churches which have sent them out, that your missionaries place this proposal before you and look for a favorable response.

THE PROPOSAL

"In order to be able to lay before you a concrete proposal, the following terms of transfer have been agreed upon as satisfactory to the Missions, and they are respectfully recommended to the Boards for favorable action.

"(1) The transfer shall go into effect at a date to be agreed upon by the two Missions; not earlier than the first of September, 1917, or later than the first of March, 1918.

"(2) From the date of the transfer the receiving Mission shall have entire responsibility for the conduct of the work in the districts concerned. The receiving Mission is also to adopt the policy of maintaining at least one evangelistic missionary to superintend the work in this field. However, as it may be difficult for the receiving Mission to set apart a man for that purpose at once, it is agreed that the transferring Mission, in case request to that effect is made by the receiving Mission, shall assign one of its own fully qualified evangelistic missionaries to labor in this field for a period not to exceed two years from the date of the transfer. In case this is done, the personal expenses of the said missionary, that is, his salary, medical bills, etc., shall be paid by the transferring Mission and he shall remain a full member of the same. As such he shall attend the meetings of that Mission and be liable to assignment by his own Mission on committee work, etc. In his evangelistic work as superintending the district in question, how-

ever, he shall work under the rules of the receiving Mission, and shall report to it. His personal helper's salary, his itinerating expenses, and all other expenses incurred by him in such superintendence shall be defrayed by the receiving Mission.

"(3) The Japanese evangelists now serving in the stations and outstations to be transferred shall (subject to the consent of the Joint Committee for the evangelistic work of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States) be taken over by the receiving Mission. It shall be generally understood that these evangelists shall be continued in the service of the receiving Mission for at least one year at the same salaries and allowances as they are now receiving.

"(4) When the transfer goes into effect, the title to all churches, parsonages, church and parsonage sites, and all property used for church and evangelistic work that is owned by the transferring Mission within the district in question, the value of the property being at least \$12,500, shall be transferred to the corporation of the receiving Mission without financial consideration, the cost of transfer to be borne by the receiver.

"(5) While in the judgment of the two Missions concerned it is desirable that the missionary residence property in Morioka and Aomori be purchased by the Board of the receiving Mission on equitable terms, this matter is not from the standpoint of the Missions, vital to the proposal to transfer the field, and they content themselves with the suggestion that the question form the subject of negotiation between the two Boards.

"The above terms from the point of view of the two Missions concerned, cover everything that requires specific agreement.

"With sincere prayer that the leading of the Spirit of Wisdom may be vouchsafed to the two Boards in discussing and deciding upon this proposal we beg leave to sign ourselves,

Very respectfully yours,

"The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America.

"The Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States.

"Signed on behalf of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America according to the action of the Mission dated January 23, 1917.

(Signed) ALBERTUS PIETERS, Secretary.

"Signed on behalf of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States according to the action of the Mission dated January 17, 1917.

(Signed) E. H. GUINThER, Secretary."

Your Board of Foreign Missions at its meeting held April 11-12, 1917, placed this Proposal into the hands of a Special Committee, who after careful consideration reported as follows:

"(1) That a Committee of our Board be appointed to confer with a similar Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America with reference to the exact terms upon which said transfer could be made.

"(2) That the steady increase of our receipts warrants us in assuming the additional expense that may be entailed by taking over the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church in America in the Iwate and Aomori prefectures.

"(3) That our Board urge General Synod to accept the transfer."

The Special Committee called for in the Report, consisting of the President and Secretary, met with the officers of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America on April 27th. After a free and full discussion of the transfer, it was mutually agreed:

(1) That with the approval of our General Synod the transfer should go into effect in March, 1918.

(2) That the two Missions fix the price for the two missionary residences at Aomori and the one missionary residence at Morioka.

(3) That our Board reimburse the Board of the Reformed Church in America by the payment of \$1000 at the time of the transfer and \$2000 annually until the full amount for the residences, from \$10,000 to \$12,000, has been paid.

CHINA MISSION

Besides the evangelistic and educational work, the China Mission is carrying on medical work at our two stations, Yochow and Shenchowfu. This Mission was started in 1900 by our faithful missionary, Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D. Seventeen years is not a long time for seed sowing in such a vast field. Until 1900 China was opposed to everything foreign; in fact no foreigners could enter the Province of Hunan except at the peril of their lives. A wonderful change has come over the people. Three great reforms have come about in the twinkling of an eye; namely, queues are all cut off, foot binding is illegal and rapidly becoming unpopular, and the opium traffic is completely banished. The best things in western civilization have been faithfully and freely offered to the Chinese by the missionaries, and they are now really hungry for instruction both in material and spiritual things. It is a golden age of opportunity for vigorous Christian advance, and we as a Church may be glad that we have a part in this great work for the Master.

All of our work in China is in the Province of Hunan, which is as large in area as New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey put together, and contains 22,000,000 people. The people of Hunan are proud of the large number of civil and military officials and scholars who are sons of Hunan and serve the national government. They considered themselves the most faithful guardians of the Chinese culture and ideals and would not permit any "foreign devils" within her borders, after all other important provinces

had been opened to missionary work and foreign commerce. Facts like these must be taken into consideration in judging of the progress of Christian work in the province. But it must be evident that the sturdy independent people of Hunan are good material for Christian missionaries to work among and in due season we shall see the results of their hard and difficult labors.

THE YOCHOW STATION

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. F. K. Heinrichsohn, Missionary in Charge.

In spite of the political unrest and strife in the new Republic, the evangelistic work has been continued without interruption. A special feature of the regular Sunday morning service has been the large number of women in attendance. The need is felt for a Sunday School room in which to conduct Bible study along modern lines. There is an active Christian Endeavor Society, and the young people respond well at these meetings. A deep spiritual tone pervades the prayer services. It has been the custom to observe the Week of Prayer in January, during which time many fervent prayers are offered for the welfare of China, and in recent years for world peace. Work among the women has been encouraging. In the street chapels preaching services are held four evenings each week. The Chinese evangelists and helpers take turns in preaching.

A new phase of the work during the past year has been regular weekly visits to the city prison. Some of the prisoners had begun the study of the Catechism. Unfortunately, this work had to be discontinued on account of the war troubles in the province.

Missionary Heinrichsohn writes: "One new outstation was opened during the year, making a total of five outstations. The new work was opened at Nieh-Chia-Shi, a large town situated in a tea-growing center. The preaching here is listened to by large crowds, the majority hearing the Gospel for the first time. The work in the outstations is, on the whole, encouraging.

"In order to reach the pilgrims who yearly flock to Ta-Yuin-Shan, a sacred mountain, about fifty miles from Yochow, a special campaign was undertaken. Thousands of people were reached in this way, and our little band of workers returned with a very favorable report as to the manner in which they and their literature were received by the pilgrims.

"Besides several ordinary itinerating trips through our field, a special itinerary was arranged to the tea-growing district near here at the tea gathering season, when thousands of people collect from the surrounding country, somewhat after the manner of the cotton pickers in the States. Open air preaching and the selling of Christian literature was carried on for about a fortnight among these people.

"A special opportunity to bring our work before the people of the city was afforded during the recent troubles in Hunan, when

the foreign missionaries were asked by the gentry and Chamber of Commerce of Yochow, to mediate for the city between the Northern and Southern troops, in order to prevent this place from becoming the scene of a battle. Many expressions of sincere gratitude for the service rendered have been heard from the people, and our church services have been unusually well attended since then.

"In our last annual report we mentioned the fact that this field is ripe for large ingatherings. We can say that this is more true at this time than ever before, and it is still our earnest hope and prayer that the Church at home will soon find a way to send the needed men and funds to enable us to undertake work in this city and district on a larger scale and in a more efficient manner.

"For years we have been pleading for Hwa Yung in our annual reports. The only attention we have been able to give this place during the past year was one itinerating trip to the town and part of the district. The need for regular and intensive work there grows more urgent with each year.

"In three of our out-stations we are quartered in rented properties, the owners of which have informed us in two cases that they need the buildings for their own use. We are in immediate need of funds to build chapels and evangelists' residences at Hsin-Chiang and Yui-Hsih-Chan. We were able to secure land at both places at low prices, but we need the money to erect the necessary buildings. While there is the Garber Fund of \$500, given toward the erection of a chapel in Hsin-Chiang, double this amount would not now be sufficient for the purpose. \$1500 would be the least amount required to put up suitable buildings at each of these places. Is it not possible to procure the money for these two chapels during the coming year?"

THE LAKESIDE SCHOOLS

Teachers—Rev. William E. Hoy, D. D.; Rev. William A. Reimert; Rev. Edwin A. Beck; Prof. Horace R. Lequear and Rev. J. W. Owen.

The growth of this institution has been phenomenal. The fondest hopes of its founder are being realized in these days. It is first and always a Christian school. All the students are under Christian instruction. The Bible is a required study. Students must attend the Sunday School and the Y. M. C. A. meetings as well as the regular church services. The Y. M. C. A. is an integral part of the National Y. M. C. A. of China. The Foreign and Chinese Secretaries visit the institution. The Student Volunteer Band admits no student under eighteen years of age or under the Academy grade and only for the Christian ministry. The National Committee keeps in close touch with all the Volunteer Bands in China. For several years past there have been from two to four graduates each year from the College department, and it is usual for them to enter immediately upon direct Christian work.

The course of study embraces the branches from the elementary grade to the college grade. The teachers, both American and

Chinese, toil in the spirit of unity. They are strong and hopeful, alert and progressive, faithful in work and fervent in spirit.

President Hoy writes: "The Mission at its Annual Meeting will, no doubt, repeat the regular yearly appeal for more men and means for the fuller development of the Lakeside Schools along the lines in which the Lord has led us. In these days of the world-wide cry for "efficiency" in Christian Educational work, we cannot sit in indifferent idleness and repeat in a sing-song voice, "All is well at Lakeside." The very success granted us by the Lord of the Harvest makes it imperative to be up and keep alive to the greater possibilities of the future. Christian work is received with favor in China, and there are practically no restrictions placed upon the activities of Christian Educational institutions in this land."

ZIEMER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Miss Gertrude B. Hoy and Miss Helen B. Ammerman (temporarily filling vacancy).

On June 5th, 1915, the Ziemer Girls' School building was struck by lightning and reduced to ashes. That no lives were lost was cause for devout thanksgiving. This school building was practically new, having only been completed in February, 1911. It cost about \$7000, and was insured for \$6000. It was partly paid for by the Foreign Mission Day Offerings of 1909 and 1910. Most of the money was raised during the furlough of Miss S. Emma Ziemer in 1909 and through her earnest efforts. That this Girls' School should be bereft of its first principal by death and of the first building by fire was cause for serious thought by members of the Mission, the Board and the Church. Those who have this work as a daily problem regard the loss of the building as a new call for more fervent devotion on the part of the Church to this sacred work.

Although the prospects were rather gloomy for the continuance of the School, Principal Miss Hoy wrote that on the 9th of September following, the School was reopened with forty pupils which was only six less than the previous year. The work was carried on in an old Chinese building, which was inconvenient and unhealthy, but the teachers and pupils continued to be cheerful and were always ready to make the best of everything.

Through the liberality of the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod a new building has been erected at a cost of \$13,800 and will be paid for by them.

The course of study prescribed by the Central China Christian Educational Union, to which the school belongs, is a difficult one and the pupils are kept very busy. As the aim of the Ziemer Girls' School is to train Christian women, special emphasis has always been laid upon religious instruction. This is given through daily Bible classes, chapel exercises, weekly Christian Endeavor meetings and Sunday School classes. The early morning watch has been

observed by each pupil, at which time she chose and memorized a Bible verse, which became her guide during the day. Last Pentecost the hearts of the teachers were gladdened by the fact that four of the pupils were baptized, thus becoming members of the Church. In all the work of the School Miss Ammerman has taken a deep interest and rendered valuable assistance.

Miss Hoy writes: "Our hearts rejoice at the thought of beginning work in our fine, new building. Pupils and teachers have all been eagerly watching the erection of this building, and, as one of the girls put it, 'Now that we are going into the new building, we must all be new people.' We cannot help but do better work in such an environment."

HOY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Physician, Dr. William F. Adams; Nurses, Miss Alice E. Traub and Miss Mary E. Meyers.

The work in the hospital at Yochow City during the past three years was crippled for lack of a sufficient working force. No hospital in China should have on its staff less than two physicians and three nurses. Without even this small number the hospital cannot render the needed service to the thousands of sick folks in the Province of Hunan who have a right to look to our Mission for medical services. In a hospital with only one physician, as is the case with both of our hospitals, and one or two nurses, when the furlough time comes, it means a virtual abandonment of the medical work. Those in charge of the work fail to derive the full benefit from their furloughs because they are all the time realizing that their absence from the field means an impairment of their work on the field. This has been the recent experience of the workers in the Hoy Memorial Hospital. No other arm of the missionary work in China contributes more to the evangelistic work than the hospital.

That many people are eager to avail themselves of the benefits of the hospital is evident from a recent letter of Dr. Adams in which he states: "The hospital has been filled all the time. I had hoped to have something of a let up at Chinese New Year as the patients usually leave before it. But this year, although they celebrated in the good old style, in regard to the custom of leaving the hospital they changed remarkably. We had only two beds vacant during the season."

It is cause for devout gratitude that the offerings on Foreign Mission Day 1917 will make possible the erection of the Woman's Hospital at Yochow City. The lack of proper facilities for the treatment of women has been sorely felt for ten years. Much credit is due Dr. Faust and Dr. Hoy for the splendid assistance they gave in bringing this need to the attention of our people. Both of these missionaries have urgent needs in connection with their school work, yet these sank out of sight in their strong appeals for the Woman's Hospital work.

THE SHENCHOWFU STATION

EVANGELISTIC WORK

Rev. Ward Hartman, Missionary in Charge. Miss Ruth E. Hahn, Evangelist.

The Evangelistic Work in our Shenchowfu Station brings us to soil where martyr blood was shed. Here we have a wide field for cultivation but, alas, the workers are wanting and the few in charge of the work have been subject to many discouragements. Their faith has been sorely tried. Lasting impressions, however, have been made and deep foundations have been laid. Missionary Hartman deserves great credit for his self-sacrificing labors and for his patient continuance in well-doing. He writes: "In spite of the fact that the greater part of the world has been living at swords' points, and the Chinese of our district lived in fear and dread of the presence of the Northern soldiers for months, we have been able to do a little work in this part of the Master's vineyard. The recent revolution in China affected our work considerably, and for a time our out-station at Paotsing was entirely cut off from us because of the two armies in the field."

It is encouraging to report that at Shenchowfu the average attendance at the Sunday morning service has been about 300. The C. E. Society numbers over 50 including associate members. The week of prayer during the first week in January was observed and special services were held previous to Easter. Sixteen persons were received into the Church. There is an enrollment of 255 in the Sunday School. A congregation was organized by the election of three elders and two deacons. Some charity work for the poor is being done with funds given at Christmas time. A night school has been continued for men-servants who desire to learn to read the Chinese characters.

There are three out-stations—Luchi, Wusuh and Paotsing. The Wusuh Station is supported entirely by the offerings of the Shenchowfu Church. A good beginning has been made there and several persons have shown sufficient interest to study the Catechism. A property has been secured in Paotsing in which to open a chapel.

The work among the women is most hopeful. Since the majority of the women are unable to read or write, and thus unable to study the Bible, or read the hymns, special instruction is given in reading and writing and the Gospel. From the work that is being done at the Station, Missionary Hartman is seeing the fulfillment of his hopes: "I came to China with the hope of being a messenger of the Gospel which is adaptable to all people and through which all may learn of salvation."

THE EASTVIEW SCHOOLS

Teachers—Rev. J. Frank Bucher and Prof. Karl H. Beck.

The most pressing need of the Boys' School, and the only one that the teachers urge, is its re-location. The Woman's Hospital Building has been used for two years as the Boys' School Dormitory.

Strong pressure is being brought to bear on the part of the medical workers that this building should again be made available for its original purpose. Our Board has taken action that the first new work to be undertaken in our China Mission shall be the re-location of the Boys' School, thereby relieving a most critical situation.

The School is getting to be an influential factor in the city. The Day School enrollment has been quite large, reaching the highest possible limits. The work of the students has been good. The teachers have all been faithful and we have every reason to believe that the teaching of the Chinese Classics and literature is of a high order. The foreign staff is constantly striving to raise the standard of the School. Special mention should be made of the work being done by Mrs. Bucher in drawing. Under her direction the students have been doing quite remarkable work in both pencil and Chinese brush-pen drawing. An inquirers' class is taught by Mr. Bucher, who uses the catechism prepared by Dr. William C. Schaeffer. The Y. M. C. A. is a part of the International organization and is doing splendid work.

The teachers are hoping to continue the Day School at Luchi, and to open additional Lower-primary schools at Wusuh and Paotsing as soon as they can obtain suitable Chinese teachers.

GIRLS' SCHOOL

Teachers—Miss Rebecca N. Messimer, and Mrs. Karl H. Beck, temporarily filling the vacancy.

At first it was not an easy matter to secure pupils. Very few parents were willing to send their children, much less to bear the expense. Great changes have taken place. The confidence of the people is growing and they want their girls to attend our school. For the past few years more girls have been seeking entrance than could be accommodated. During the recent rebellion girls from the very best as well as from the poorer homes were brought to the school for protection. Ours is the only Boarding School for girls within a radius of 150 miles. The Christian teaching and influence has its effect upon the lives of the girls and in many cases results in definite decisions for Christ. Miss Messimer writes: "Today the girls of China are demanding an education. Whether or not they shall have a Christian education depends upon you. Will you share with Christ in the joy of service by helping the girls of China to know Him?"

ABOUNDING GRACE HOSPITAL

Dr. Lewis R. Thompson, Physician, and Miss Elizabeth J. Miller, Nurse.

The medical work at Shenchow has taken a distinct step forward. Dr. Thompson spent several months of the latter part of 1915 in visiting the hospitals at Nanking and in neighboring cities. His experiences have been of much benefit to him in his work.

Shortly after his return to the Station the Medical Department, due to the war situation, agreed to work under the direction of the Red Cross Society of China, the latter paying the expenses incident

to the treatment and care of the wounded soldiers. From February 22nd to about May 15th, 1916, the work of the Department was practically all Red Cross work. Our hospital staff makes special mention of the courtesy of Dr. Logan of Changte: first, for sending Dr. Pao to conduct the work during the absence of Dr. Thompson; and secondly, for Dr. Tai who acted as assistant since the hospital was opened. Mention is also made of the splendid assistance of several Chinese nurses furnished by the Red Cross Society.

Since the Dispensary is open to both men and women, it is hard to make the women understand why they must be denied hospital treatment, for it is known that there is a Woman's Hospital Building. This militates against the work of the Station. (At the present time the Woman's Hospital is used for the Boys' School Dormitory.) Dr. Thompson writes: "It is very necessary that the Boys' School shall be removed from the building as soon as possible, and also from the compound, since the close proximity of the Boys' School and the Woman's Hospital are incompatible in the eyes of the Chinese. We are looking forward to a growing of the work in the Men's Hospital this next year, and also hoping to be able to establish the work in the Women's Hospital. There has been daily preaching in the hospital wards and in the dispensary Chapel."

THE MOSLEM WORLD

Mohammedanism is the one great non-Christian religion which is today on the aggressive. Of all the non-Christian faiths this is the one which attacks directly the Person and Deity of our Lord. It is the one religion which has risen since Christianity as though to challenge the sufficiency of Christianity. In view of these facts the Church of Christ throughout the world has no more formidable foe to face, or to conquer. Realizing this, our Church eight years ago made work in the Mohammedan World a part of her Foreign Missionary task.

Three years ago our Board was authorized by the General Synod to open a Mission Station in the Moslem World at an annual expenditure of \$5000. On account of the awful war in Europe, and the lack of sufficient funds, it has been found impossible to begin this work. A special committee is investigating present conditions in the Moslem World with a view of recommending a place for a Mission Station and arranging for the funds necessary to provide for the same. It is planned to secure \$5000 annually for a period of five years before opening a station. On May 1, 1917, the cash contributions for this purpose amounted to \$1706.52. This fund will be kept intact until the time when it will be possible to begin the work.

FINALLY, BRETHREN

A recent writer says, "It is the quality of the General Staff mind to think ahead, to define objects, and to plan out ways of reaching them." This is no less the province of a Board of the Church. Your Board of Foreign Missions has been "thinking ahead" by stating the needs of our Mission fields; it has defined the objects to which the members have been giving their offerings and prayers;

and it has outlined plans by which it is believed our Church can fulfill her high mission to the world.

While there is cause for rejoicing over the progress made by our missionaries and the increase in the offerings of the members during the past triennium, yet the unoccupied areas of our fields in Japan and China, not to speak of the work to be done in the Moslem World, should make us seriously ponder whether we have done all we could to help in hastening the extension of our Lord's Kingdom in all the world.

There are two great factors in the problem of Foreign Missions that should constrain the Christians in our day, as the apostles in their day, in the winning of the world for Christ. The first is compassion and the second is immediacy. When Jesus was on earth, seeing the multitude, He was immediately moved with compassion. It is said that the population of the world now amounts to one billion, seven hundred millions of people. It is also said that one billion of these are heathen. Missionary experts have shown that the heathen are increasing faster by natural propagation than the Church in their midst is increasing by spiritual generation, so that at the present rate of progress, Christianity is not gaining upon heathenism, but heathenism upon Christianity. Napoleon once said: "It is a maxim of the military art that the army which remains in its entrenchments is beaten." God has made man's possibilities to be the Church's opportunity, and man's need the Church's duty—its safety. We see not yet all things subdued under Him, but we see Jesus. What God has done for us, He can do for all mankind. This is the abiding ground of Christian Missions. This is our confidence in every hour of trial.

Today the nations of the earth are seeking a new vision, and the Church of Christ alone has the power to impart it. We all look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness, peace and joy. Your missionaries are looking with wistful eyes from across the seas to Dayton, Ohio, grasping the hand of every delegate in Christian fellowship, and praying that the actions of the General Synod may mark the beginning of a new epoch in the spread of the Gospel in the lands where the Lord has led our Church. One of your most devoted missionaries in China has recently made a fervent appeal for more workers, adding: "I have borne the strain and stress fairly well; but how much longer can I endure such a life?" Missionary Cook of Japan, who died with the passion for souls upon his lips, left this witness: "The work is beginning to grow so fast that I cannot manage it much longer alone. I appeal to you and to the Church for aid." The one burden that is breaking the hearts of all your missionaries in Japan and China is this: "We must have men, if we are to retain what we have won by so much hard toil and sore prayer."

It is the duty of your Board to report these stirring facts; it will be the privilege of the General Synod to transmute the same into living acts.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD, *President.*

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW, *Secretary.*

Triennial Financial Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions, 1914-1916

EXHIBIT A

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1916

Deficit: as of January 1, 1914..	\$132,043.77	
“ Outlook of Missions...	1,494.00	
Contributions for Foreign Re-		
lief.....	350.00	
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		\$133,887.77
Less: Net Income (as per Ex-		
hibit C).....		89,250.61
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		\$44,637.16
Funds: Received during 1914-1916		
for reinvestment.....		800.00
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Deficit as at December 31, 1916.....		\$45,437.16
<i>Deficit Account</i>		
Notes Payable (Schedule No. S)	\$ 46,900.00	
Accrued Interest on Demand		
Notes to December 31, 1916.	231.70	
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		\$47,131.70
Less Cash Balance, December		
31, 1916.....		1,694.54
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		\$45,437.16
<i>Properties of Board</i>		
Japan: (Schedule No. 9).....	\$223,522.00	
China: (Schedule No. 10).....	108,155.46	
Invested Funds (Schedule No.		
11).....	8,900.00	
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		\$340,577.46

ALBERT S. BROMER, *Treasurer.*

Audited by
Certified Audit Co. of America, Inc.,
March 30, 1917.

EXHIBIT B

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS—JANUARY 1, 1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916

Cash Balance—January 1, 1914.....					\$ 4,687.93
RECEIPTS	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916	
For Foreign Missions.....	\$134,572.11	\$212,249.50	\$175,027.71	\$521,849.32	
(See Exhibit C)					
Borrowed Money.....	56,100.00	22,000.00	35,000.00	113,100.00	
*Outlook of Missions.....	2,977.68	2,700.39	4,745.32	10,423.39	
Received for Transmission.....	646.05	320.07	65.00	1,031.12	
†Mission Study Department.....	333.00	411.50	359.00	1,103.50	
Endowment Fund.....	500.00	.....	300.00	800.00	
Refunds, Account Foreign Travel.....	.....	100.00	393.74	493.74	
Refunds, General.....	\$7.50	207.10	36.71	331.31	
Total Receipts.....	\$195,216.34	\$237,988.56	\$215,927.48	.....	\$649,132.38
DISBURSEMENTS	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916	
To Foreign Missions.....	\$107,986.81	\$103,186.02	\$136,231.13	\$347,403.96	
Home Department (Schedule No. 5)....	17,789.68	20,251.93	18,901.29	56,942.90	
Loans (Notes Retired).....	55,700.00	84,600.00	61,000.00	201,300.00	
Outlook of Missions.....	2,891.78	4,292.41	4,733.20	11,917.39	
Interest on Loans.....	7,928.31	5,007.68	4,032.28	16,968.27	
Partial support of Coöperative Depart- ments (Schedule 5A).....	4,335.17	4,137.40	4,308.18	12,780.75	
Interest on Annuity Bonds.....	1,213.00	1,518.00	1,731.50	4,462.50	
Contributions.....	100.00	100.00	150.00	350.00	
Total Disbursements.....	\$197,944.75	\$223,093.44	\$231,087.58	.....	652,125.77
Cash Balance—December 31, 1916.....					\$ 1,694.54

* Subscriptions and appropriations of Board of Home Missions.

† Receipts from Board of Home Missions on account Mission Study Department Expenses.

EXHIBIT C

INCOME AND EXPENSES 1914-1916

	INCOME	
	1914	1916
Apportionment.....	\$79,844.62	\$98,288.84
Specials (<i>Price of Peace Fund included</i>).....	43,350.58	60,727.13
(See Schedule No. 1)		
	<u>123,195.20</u>	<u>159,015.97</u>
\$481,790.01		
Annuity Bonds.....	5,170.00	11,000.00
Bequests.....	5,509.05	3,291.89
Miscellaneous Personals.....	187.33	1,372.25
Interest on Invested Funds.....	357.98	331.00
Interest on Bank Balances.....	62.07	
Literature.....	90.48	16.60
	<u>134,572.11</u>	<u>175,027.71</u>
40,059.31		
Total Income.....	212,249.50	521,849.32
EXPENSES		
Japan Mission.....	66,861.31	81,254.86
China Mission.....	37,479.45	54,517.53
Home Department.....	17,702.18	18,864.58
Partial Support of Cooperative Departments.....	4,002.17	3,949.18
Interest on Loans.....	7,928.31	4,032.28
Interest on Annuity Bonds.....	1,213.00	1,731.50
	<u>135,186.42</u>	<u>164,349.93</u>
432,598.71		
Income in excess of expenses.....		\$ 89,250.61
(See Exhibit A)		

SCHEDULE NO. 1

RECEIPTS FROM CLASSES 1914-1916, AND COMPARISON WITH RECEIPTS 1911-1913

SYNODS AND CLASSES	SYNODS AND CLASSES								Decrease	
	Apporment 1914	Specials 1914	Apporment 1915	Specials 1915	Apporment 1916	Specials 1916	Total 1914-1916	Total 1911-1913		Increase
<i>Eastern Synod</i>										
East Pennsylvania.....	\$3,134.53	\$741.76	\$2,731.58	\$3,352.48	\$4,021.33	\$964.20	\$14,945.88	\$9,158.01	\$5,787.87	
Lebanon.....	3,132.18	156.96	1,876.98	2,035.95	2,546.87	1,090.28	10,839.22	6,763.81	4,075.41	
Philadelphia.....	4,232.78	1,927.37	3,833.33	7,240.32	6,030.19	2,505.10	25,769.09	15,568.32	10,200.77	
Lancaster.....	4,054.10	1,696.61	3,037.21	6,483.03	4,277.28	1,544.85	21,093.08	17,081.35	4,011.73	
East Susquehanna.....	3,039.75	380.48	2,494.66	2,402.63	3,384.54	1,588.96	13,291.02	8,767.67	4,523.35	
West Susquehanna.....	2,300.00	243.67	2,500.00	2,775.83	2,215.00	492.61	10,527.11	7,240.30	3,286.81	
Tollickon.....	1,978.88	257.81	1,956.88	4,078.83	2,681.42	369.45	11,323.30	6,547.04	4,776.26	
Goshenhoppen.....	2,633.49	110.76	2,051.38	1,070.65	2,820.28	369.66	9,056.22	9,142.20		85.98
Leligh.....	3,360.11	2,160.23	3,345.04	5,228.93	4,989.50	1,444.92	20,728.73	17,109.79	3,618.94	
Schuylkill.....	2,455.09	565.64	2,329.50	1,955.52	2,799.59	499.74	10,605.08	6,322.12	4,282.96	
Wyoming.....	1,698.08	891.03	1,702.20	7,029.14	2,797.87	409.42	14,587.74	7,064.74	7,523.00	
Reading.....	2,855.84	1,855.18	3,073.15	6,281.16	4,299.84	2,538.00	22,913.17	14,064.97	8,848.20	
<i>Ohio Synod</i>										
Miami.....	2,227.88	708.48	1,726.68	3,376.07	2,531.35	582.57	11,153.03	7,114.47	4,038.56	
Lancaster.....	1,266.90	632.18	996.00	3,041.52	1,761.29	389.34	8,087.23	3,868.48	4,218.75	
Tuscarawas.....	3,440.00	1,963.05	3,925.00	5,290.21	6,275.00	5,778.82	26,662.08	13,515.88	13,146.20	
Tiffin.....	1,275.18	569.96	1,871.00	1,714.57	2,081.00	1,343.41	8,855.12	4,956.18	3,898.94	
Eastern Ohio.....	1,300.00	170.35	1,500.00	1,364.77	1,558.45	544.78	6,438.35	4,193.41	2,244.94	
St. Joseph.....	585.48	299.71	810.23	866.95	988.10	204.65	3,755.12	3,141.29	613.83	
Miscellaneous.....		72.59					72.59	159.57		86.98
<i>Synod of the Northwest</i>										
Sheboygan.....	148.94	126.40	220.82	274.06	172.50	279.09	1,221.81	807.04	414.77	
Milwaukee.....	253.54	353.81	173.06	1,421.68	319.75	534.81	3,056.68	1,348.48	1,708.20	
Minnesota.....	128.00	51.11	310.00	1,051.97	37.25	132.87	765.20	640.86	124.34	
Nebraska.....	218.77	179.15	222.00	296.80	250.00	246.18	1,412.90	1,591.93		179.03
Ursinus.....	119.17	135.26	140.10	435.86	471.30	220.95	1,522.64	815.70	706.94	
South Dakota.....	167.17	45.94	85.00	82.44	173.74	55.00	609.29	629.74		20.45
Portland, Oregon.....	227.43	153.54	188.65	525.08	353.39	85.53	1,533.62	1,906.77		373.15
Manitoba.....	51.00	72.80	37.00	159.95	53.00	33.35	407.10	153.90	253.20	
Eureka.....						15.00	15.00		15.00	
<i>Pittsburgh Synod</i>										
Westmoreland.....	10,189.00		10,798.00		13,497.63		34,484.63	22,039.34	12,445.29	
Clarion.....		1,192.47		2,715.79		963.51	4,871.77	2,521.61	2,350.16	
Somerset.....		206.44		433.80		255.01	895.25	1,392.97		497.72
St. Paul.....		215.25		1,280.68		471.55	1,967.48	377.22	1,590.26	
Allegheny.....		99.77		291.94		31.75	423.46	288.63	134.83	
Hungarian.....		532.22		1,688.88		594.17	2,845.27	2,851.15		5.88
						6.94	6.94			14.14

SCHEDULE NO. 1—Continued

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SYNODS AND CLASSES	SYNODS AND CLASSES						Increase	Decrease	
	Apporment 1914	Specials 1914	Apporment 1915	Specials 1915	Apporment 1916	Specials 1916			
Potomac Synod	2,465.25	470.56	250.00	1,048.08	3,511.43	1,022.37	250.00	250.00	
	4,186.28	1,171.27	2,134.71	3,966.96	3,913.40	2,206.31	10,652.40	2,411.11	
	2,029.70	1,527.72	1,576.01	4,582.24	1,980.83	1,482.46	13,178.96	16,301.33	
	1,083.80	349.90	704.12	1,055.55	855.01	548.13	4,596.51	3,656.43	
	990.91	250.25	837.26	1,201.38	916.89	247.11	4,443.80	2,780.54	
	1,325.00	540.79	950.00	401.92	1,705.00	415.86	5,338.57	3,292.11	
	1,122.04	324.85	1,103.92	512.44	1,255.56	201.68	4,430.49	3,173.05	
	2,527.57	1,005.47	2,741.58	2,248.94	2,928.12	1,073.13	12,524.81	8,927.16	
								388.73	
German Synod of the East	470.95	392.00	517.10	363.85	196.00	531.86	2,474.76	1,620.97	
	656.47	222.00	548.95	376.29	516.20	242.57	2,562.48	2,562.58	
	772.67	373.98	431.88	892.03	807.93	210.46	3,488.95	2,315.53	
	133.51	75.78	33.70	276.23	184.00	80.00	783.25	603.25	
Central Synod	408.67	450.99	261.23	1,583.58	491.25	571.04	3,766.76	3,720.38	
	1,111.72	1,453.37	1,008.67	3,353.15	1,583.68	1,611.39	10,121.98	7,419.64	
	682.97	925.50	483.05	1,534.43	404.66	760.70	4,790.31	3,206.92	
	204.81	332.15	101.69	1,008.08	296.39	466.42	2,409.77	1,572.79	
Synod of the Interior	255.75	392.28	202.40	1,155.40	217.91	415.04	2,608.78	1,839.37	
	1,402.61		716.50		255.86		2,375.00	4,068.82	
		94.02		325.10	464.24	54.58	937.91	556.96	
		157.93		829.59	800.00	417.54	2,205.06	756.84	
Synod of the Southwest	60.00	271.46	541.14	541.14	782.50	97.75	1,752.85	1,052.07	
		133.10	179.00	179.00	23.00	31.00	366.10	81.09	
	159.89	41.64		178.71		174.72	554.96	223.47	
								331.49	
General Synod	305.72	675.88	221.63	2,302.49	283.57	1,084.93	4,824.22	2,523.96	
	385.76	371.36	318.92	2,634.14	413.65	363.31	4,487.14	2,791.21	
	200.77	100.53	71.82	283.16	57.70	84.04	798.02	1,293.19	
	47.00	11.31	37.20	29.00	15.00	72.31	211.82	139.65	
	371.42	119.49	231.00	772.57	41.40	1,059.39	2,595.27	1,648.61	
Women's Home and Foreign Mission-ary Society		12,406.99		15,743.95		18,659.53	46,810.47	38,334.69	
Totals	\$79,844.62	\$43,350.58	\$72,887.95	\$126,690.89	\$98,288.84	\$60,727.13	\$481,790.01	\$332,479.06	\$153,152.10
									\$3,841.15

SCHEDULE NO. 2

GENERAL STATEMENT, BY SYNODS, SHOWING NUMBER OF COMMUNICANTS; AMOUNTS APPORTIONED, PAID AND UNPAID

SYNODS	Communicants	Apportioned 1914-1916	Paid on Apportionment			Total Paid 1914-1916	Unpaid 1914-1916	Specials			Total Specials 1914-1916	Total Receipts			Total 1914-1916
			1914	1915	1916			1914	1915	1916		1914	1915	1916	
Eastern.....	137,516	\$313,395	34,884	83,191.91	42,863.71	108,940.45	204,454.55	10,987.53	51,934.47	13,817.19	76,739.19	45,872.36	83,126.38	56,680.90	185,679.64
Ohio.....	32,879	76,359	10,095.44	10,828.91	15,195.19	36,119.54	40,239.46	4,416.32	15,644.09	8,843.57	28,903.98	14,511.76	26,473.00	24,038.76	65,023.52
Northwest.....	19,451	70,806	1,314.02	1,376.63	1,830.93	4,521.58	63281.86	1,118.01	3,301.84	1,602.81	6,022.66	2,432.03	4,678.47	3,433.74	10,544.24
Southwest.....	10,811		1,310.67	880.57	811.32	3,002.56		1,278.57	6,021.36	2,613.98	9,913.91	2,589.24	6,901.93	3,425.30	12,916.47
Pittsburgh.....	25,593	55,995	10,189.00	10,798.00	13,497.63	34,484.63	21,510.37	2,276.15	6,411.09	2,322.93	11,010.17	12,465.15	17,209.09	15,820.56	45,494.80
Potomac.....	51,227	116,511	15,730.55	13,507.76	17,066.24	46,304.55	70,206.45	5,550.81	15,037.51	7,199.05	27,787.37	21,281.36	28,545.27	24,265.29	74,091.92
German East.....	19,373	45,429	2,033.63	1,531.63	1,704.13	5,269.39	40,159.61	1,063.76	1,908.40	1,067.89	4,040.05	3,097.39	3,440.03	2,772.02	9,309.44
Central.....	24,740	60,645	2,663.95	2,056.04	2,994.09	7,714.08	52,930.92	3,554.29	8,634.64	3,824.59	16,013.52	6,218.24	10,690.68	6,818.68	23,727.60
Interior.....	4,522	10,860	1,622.53	716.50	2,325.60	4,064.63	6,195.37	698.15	2,053.54	775.59	3,527.28	2,320.68	2,770.04	3,101.19	8,191.91
W. H. and F. M. Soc., General Synod.....								12,406.99	15,743.95	18,659.53	46,810.47	12,406.99	15,743.95	18,659.53	46,810.47
Total.....	326,112	\$750,000	79,844.62	72,887.95	98,288.84	251,021.41	498,978.59	43,350.56	126,690.89	60,727.13	230,768.60	123,195.20	199,578.84	159,015.97	481,790.01

SCHEDULE NO. 3

BEQUESTS DURING PERIOD 1914-1916

1914

Jan. 7	L. Darms (additional).....	\$ 2.50
Jan. 14	John Lahr.....	500.00
Mar. 23	Elizabeth Bricker.....	203.62
May 29	Jacob Schaub.....	1000.00
July 1	Charles Baker.....	380.00
July 13	Mary E. Gilbert.....	516.43
Aug. 26	Louisa F. Wirt.....	1000.00
Oct. 26	Job M. Shoemaker.....	400.00
Oct. 27	Daniel Miller.....	506.50
Nov. 18	Melville E. Doll.....	1000.00

\$ 5,509.05

1915

Jan. 26	C. H. Gutelius.....	380.00
Jan. 27	Sallie E. Weil.....	500.00
Feb. 2	P. Williard.....	500.00
Mar. 17	H. Schlueter.....	200.00
Apr. 24	D. Brubaker.....	100.00
May 17	Sarah A. Rauch.....	285.00
May 20	M. Bair.....	13.36
Sept. 15	Johanna Accola.....	50.00
Sept. 17	Job M. Shoemaker (additional).....	787.50
Nov. 3	Mrs. Margaret Bair.....	1945.19

4,761.05

1916

Feb. 24	L. G. Imler.....	134.69
Mar. 25	J. F. Bennett.....	190.00
July 27	Lizzie S. Burkholder.....	300.00
Sept. 25	Mrs. R. Fredericka Mayer.....	50.00
Nov. 2	Lydia B. Schott.....	175.00
Dec. 23	John Thomas Main.....	500.00
Dec. 23	Ernest Behmer.....	1942.20

3,291.89

Total..... \$13,561.99

NOTE: Bequests since January 1, 1917, not included in report.

Feb. 10	Rev. S. Elliker, Sr.....	\$ 50.00
Feb. 16	Job M. Shoemaker (additional).....	200.00
Mar. 12	Mrs. Eliza T. Wildrich.....	475.00
Mar. 27	Miss Mary F. Pugh.....	950.00
Apr. 11	D. Nettles, Sr.....	50.00

SCHEDULE NO. 4

STATEMENT SHOWING PROGRESS AT HOME IN THE WORK
OF FOREIGN MISSIONS FROM 1900 TO 1916

Year	Communi- cants	Contributions from Living Givers	Per Capita Gift of Living Givers	Be- quests	Total Contri- butions	Mission- aries sent out
1900..	239,930	\$29,084.66	\$.125	\$4,345.66	\$33,430.32	5
1901..	242,831	34,726.30	.143	5,032.89	39,759.19	1
1902..	248,929	51,470.21	.267	3,160.37	54,630.58	5
1903..	255,408	66,055.79	.258	95.00	66,150.79	1
1904..	255,880	66,518.99	.259	1,947.50	68,466.49	1
1905..	263,954	83,817.23	.313	1,515.00	85,332.23	4
1906..	279,164	77,722.91	.278	8,848.16	86,571.07	7
1907..	284,433	92,634.62	.325	2,021.34	94,655.96	4
1908..	289,328	93,934.68	.324	3,959.31	97,893.99	3
1909..	293,836	93,877.22	.319	12,866.50	106,743.72	2
1910..	297,116	86,852.77	.292	3,612.26	90,465.03	2
1911..	297,829	94,616.26	.317	2,783.16	97,399.42	7
1912..	300,952	121,204.22	.403	5,084.60	126,288.82	-
1913..	306,337	134,078.29	.437	2,816.64	136,894.93	3
1914..	312,660	128,552.53	.411	5,509.05	134,061.58	5
1915..	320,459	207,099.74	.646	4,761.05	211,860.79	1
1916..	326,112	171,388.22	.525	3,291.89	174,680.11	3
		\$1,633,634.64		\$71,650.38	\$1,705,285.02	

SCHEDULE NO. 5

ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES—HOME DEPARTMENT, JANUARY 1,
1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916

ADMINISTRATIVE	1914	1915	1916	
Salary of Secretary.....	\$2,116.67	\$2,200.00	\$2,500.00	
Salary of Treasurer.....	400.00	500.00	500.00	
Salary of Accountant.....	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
* Expense Business Dept.....	150.00			
Stenographer and Extra Help...	842.00	888.70	1,142.75	
Rent.....	270.00	270.00	270.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies..	526.79	417.90	696.73	
Postage.....	546.53	472.29	586.45	
Auditor's Services.....	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Expenses of Board and Execu- tive Committee Meetings....	809.23	542.24	865.25	
Cablegrams, Telegrams, and Telephones.....	282.59	283.13	293.94	
<i>Total</i>				\$22,123.19
EDUCATIONAL				
Salaries of Field Secretaries....	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00	
Traveling of Missionaries on fur- lough and Secretaries visiting Synods, Classes.....	2,913.14	3,160.18	3,418.58	
<i>Total</i>				19,691.90

* Paid Publication and Sunday School Board for special service.

SCHEDULE NO. 5—*Continued.*

LITERATURE

Twelfth Triennial Report.....	207.26	803.00		
Foreign Mission Day Service...	1,567.41	1,611.00	1,834.69	
History of China Mission, Tracts and other Publications.....	1,292.51	442.35	1,181.09	
Expressage, Freight, etc.....	373.26	102.26	287.43	
German Translator.....	100.00	75.00	100.00	
<i>Total</i>				9,977.26

MISCELLANEOUS

Prince of Peace Fund Expenses.	572.27	3,329.64	9.07	
Foreign Missions Conference of North America.....	35.00		272.00	
Premium on Surety Bond.....	12.50	12.50	12.50	
Incidentals.....	35.02	284.64	244.10	
<i>Total</i>				4,819.24

	\$17,702.18	\$20,044.83	\$18,864.58	
GRAND TOTAL				\$56,611.59

SCHEDULE NO. 5A

ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES—COÖPERATIVE DEPARTMENTS

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVE- MENT	1914	1915	1916	
Part Salary of Secretary.....	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Office Rent.....	126.00	126.00	126.00	
<i>Total</i>				3,378.00
MISSION STUDY DEPARTMENT				
Part Salary of Secretary.....	750.00	750.00	750.00	
General.....	813.59	705.73	764.28	
<i>Total</i>				4,533.60
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY				
Part Salary of Field Secretary.	300.00	300.00	350.00	
<i>Total</i>				950.00
MISCELLANEOUS				
United Missionary Campaign..	533.13	125.00		
United Missionary and Stew- ardship Committee.....	479.45	719.17	958.90	
<i>Total</i>				2,815.65
	\$4,002.17	\$3,725.90	\$3,949.18	
<i>Grand Total</i>				\$11,677.25

SCHEDULE NO. 6

ANALYSIS OF DISBURSEMENTS

JAPAN MISSION

JANUARY 1, 1914, TO DECEMBER 31, 1916

	1914	1915	1916	1914-1916
Missionaries' Salaries.....	\$18,891.00	\$16,310.73	\$17,434.89	\$ 52,636.62
Missionaries' Salaries, paid in America.....	2,166.67	3,478.54	4,848.07	10,493.28
North Japan College.....	11,259.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	33,259.00
North Japan College, additional land.....	100.00	.....	.....	100.00
Miyagi Girls' School.....	5,050.00	5,550.00	5,550.00	16,150.00
Evangelistic Fund.....	10,456.21	10,500.00	11,070.00	32,026.21
Bible Women's Fund.....	2,191.12	2,309.99	2,666.29	7,167.40
Incidentals.....	539.51	1,094.97	1,078.92	2,713.40
Taxes.....	1,049.68	1,097.52	1,044.88	3,192.08
Insurance.....	480.30	562.23	480.77	1,523.30
Rent of Missionaries in America.....	.....	218.00	355.00	573.00
Personal Teachers.....	2,461.62	2,948.83	2,697.92	8,108.37
Medical Attendance to Mission- aries.....	1,230.57	1,146.97	1,095.76	3,473.30
General Repair Fund.....	1,367.49	940.44	565.31	2,873.24
House Repair Fund.....	788.52	671.40	514.91	1,974.83
Travel.....	1,611.74	1,671.91	1,838.41	5,122.06
Rent.....	750.00	1,151.25	1,707.89	3,609.14
Personals to Missionaries.....	.....	134.65	21.00	155.65
Travel: To and from Japan....	2,516.61	3,366.05	3,925.60	9,808.26
Outfit Expenses: New Mission- aries.....	300.00	600.00	.....	900.00
Business Office.....	512.58	489.37	514.61	1,516.56
Akita Chapel Fund.....	500.00	.....	2,000.00	2,500.00
Yamagata Chapel.....	1,058.20	.....	205.26	1,263.46
Kanda Chapel.....	397.75	.....	.....	397.75
Sendai Christian Orphanage....	40.00	110.00	133.00	283.00
Loss on Exchange.....	.77	.....	.....	.77
Miscellaneous Specials.....	5.00	15.00	84.00	104.00
Travel to America.....	.....	300.00	3,150.00	3,450.00
Tokyo Grammar School.....	.....	360.00	500.00	860.00
Transfer of Igari Lot.....	.....	105.74	.....	105.74
Interest on Igari Lot.....	.....	150.00	.....	150.00
H. H. Cook Funeral Expenses....	.....	.....	146.87	146.87
Land for North Japan College..	.....	.....	5,000.00	5,000.00
Summer Allowances to Mission- aries.....	.....	.....	525.00	525.00
1916 Kindergarten Work.....	.....	.....	168.37	168.37
Azabu Rent.....	.....	.....	500.00	500.00
Cable Expense.....	.....	.....	15.96	15.96
Special Children's Allowance....	.....	250.00	.....	250.00
Special for Miss Tsuchida.....	.....	35.00	35.00	70.00
Special Teacher for North Japan College.....	.....	230.00	.....	230.00
English Teacher North Japan College.....	.....	.....	525.00	525.00

Extra for Girls' School Budget...	.....	250.00	250.00
Iizaka Chapel.....	.....	60.00	60.00
Student Ogasawara.....	.....	75.00	75.00
Balance of 1916 Budget.....	.....	548.56	548.56
Medical Expenses, paid in Amer- ica.....	109.95	109.95

Total disbursements.....	\$65,724.34	\$66,798.59	\$82,442.20	\$ 214,965.13
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CREDITS		1914	1915	1916
Cash Balance January 1, 1914 ..	\$404.13	\$1,930.12		
Profit on Exchange.....	301.76	487.53	229.72	
Refunds on Travel: Japan.....	.....	242.52	462.43	
Refunds Insurance, North Japan College.....	.....	87.98		
Interest on Bank balance: Japan	87.26	98.29	47.09	
	\$793.15	\$2,846.44	\$739.24	
Less Deficit: Dec. 31, 1915.....	.....		290.64	

\$448.60

RECAPITULATION

Remittances and Home Disburse- ments (as per Exhibit C).....	\$66,861.31	\$63,661.51	\$81,254.86
Credits (as above).....	793.15	2,846.44	448.60
	\$67,654.46	\$66,507.95	\$81,703.46
Yearly Disbursements (as above)	65,724.34	66,798.59	82,442.20
	\$ 1,930.12	\$ 290.64	\$ 738.74
	Balance	Deficit	Deficit

SCHEDULE NO. 7

ANALYSIS OF DISBURSEMENTS—CHINA MISSION JANUARY 1, 1914, TO JUNE 30, 1916

	General			Yochow Station			Shenchow Station			Total
	1914	1915	1916	1914	1915	1916	1914	1915	1916	
Missionaries' Salaries (Paid by Mission).....		\$100.00	\$108.33	\$10,309.75	\$7,211.28	\$3,785.58	\$6,425.63	\$3,601.66	\$1,956.16	\$33,498.39
Missionaries' Salaries (Paid at home).....				1,650.00	6,008.37	2,850.98		3,044.10	2,105.24	15,658.69
Lakeside Schools.....				2,450.00	2,500.00	1,250.00				6,200.00
Eastview Boys' School.....				860.00	841.09	430.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	500.00	2,500.00
Girls' School.....				1,372.06	1,020.00	600.00	550.00	700.00	400.00	3,801.09
Hospital Maintenance.....				1,000.00	1,250.00	750.00	900.00	801.03	600.00	5,293.09
Evangelistic Fund.....				300.00	300.00	150.00	600.00	675.00	375.00	4,650.00
Bible Women's Fund.....				250.00	250.00	125.00	60.00	60.00	30.00	900.00
Personal Teachers.....				200.00	200.00	100.00	200.00	200.00	100.00	1,125.00
Insurance.....				300.00	300.00	150.00	200.00	200.00	100.00	1,000.00
Incidentals.....				300.00	300.00	150.00	100.00	100.00	50.00	1,000.00
Repairs, Lakeside.....				520.99	500.00	397.89				1,097.89
Repairs, Yochow.....						247.08	400.00	400.00		1,268.07
Repairs, Shenchow.....				30.00	30.00	15.00	90.00	90.00	45.00	300.00
Gatekeeper.....				325.00	200.00	100.00	175.00	300.00	150.00	1,250.00
Travel, To and from China.....	\$2,751.13	4,789.39	3,109.35							10,649.87
Outfit Expenses.....										
New Missionaries.....			300.00	600.00		15.00	600.00			1,500.00
Margaret Santee Library Fund.....				30.00						45.00
Missionary Residence.....							1,863.45			1,863.45
Specials for Missionaries.....				279.37	350.95	103.00	10.00	2.50		745.82
Hankow Union Medical School.....	250.00	500.00								750.00
Nanking Language School.....	203.53									203.53
Kennedy School of Missions.....	178.70									178.70
Miscellaneous.....	25.49	84.30	71.50							181.29
Famine Relief.....		10.00								10.00
Joseph Garber Chapel Fund.....		500.00								500.00
Single Ladies Residence.....								244.38		244.38
Medical.....		50.00								50.00
Cablegrams, Postage Supplies, etc.....										94.64
Special Traveling.....		13.49								113.49
Hunan Union Theol. Sem'y.....		113.52								113.52
Hunan Union Theol. Sem'y Property.....		2,000.00								2,000.00
Christian Literature Society.....		50.00								50.00
Loss by Exchange.....		75.28	1.31			6,000.00				76.59
Zeimer Girls' School Building.....										6,000.00
	\$3,408.85	\$8,480.62	\$3,590.49	\$20,777.17	\$21,361.69	\$17,089.53	\$13,174.08	\$11,418.67	\$6,611.40	\$105,912.50

SUPPLEMENT OF SCHEDULE NO. 7

DISBURSEMENTS FROM JULY 1, 1916, TO DECEMBER 31,
1916, AND RECAPITULATION FROM 1914-1916

Remittances to China Mission, July 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.....	\$14,000.00
Paid to Missionaries in America.....	4,543.55
Account Travel to and from China.....	2,483.65
Shenchow Hospital.....	422.68
Hoy Memorial Hospital.....	156.20
Rent (Missionary on furlough).....	125.00
Medical Supplies.....	- 55.80
Shenchow Girls' School.....	30.89
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Disbursements from July 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.....	\$ 21,817.77
* Total Disbursements from January 1, 1914, to June 30, 1916.....	\$105,912.50
Cash Balance: China Mission, June 30, 1916..	4,428.31
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	110,340.81
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	\$132,158.58

RECAPITULATION

Cash Balance: January 1, 1914.....	\$ 420.55
Remittances and Disbursements of Treasurer to China Mission:	
1914. (Exhibit C).....	37,479.45
1915. (Exhibit C).....	39,104.44
1916. (Exhibit C).....	54,517.53
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	131,101.42
Refunds: Travel—China.....	636.61
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	\$132,158.58

SCHEDULE NO. 8

LOANS—DECEMBER 31, 1916

<i>Term Notes</i>			
<i>Date</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Due</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Oct. 23, 1916	Allentown Nat. Bank	Jan. 21, 1917	\$10,000.00
Oct. 25, 1916	" " "	Jan. 23, 1917	5,000.00
Nov. 16, 1916	" " "	Feb. 15, 1917	5,000.00
Dec. 8, 1916	" " "	Mar. 9, 1917	3,000.00
Dec. 26, 1916	" " "	Mar. 26, 1917	5,000.00
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			28,000.00
 <i>Demand Notes</i>			
			Allen Trust Company.....
			5,000.00
			Payable to Individuals.....
			13,900.00
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			18,900.00
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			\$46,900.00

* Fiscal year of China Mission, June 30.

SCHEDULE NO. 9

VALUATION OF PROPERTIES—JAPAN MISSION

SENDAI SCHOOLS (Including Buildings and Land)

North Japan College

1. Lower Department "Land"	\$13,500.00	
Recitation Hall.....	30,000.00	
Dormitory.....	4,000.00	
Other Buildings.....	500.00	
Higher Department Theologi- cal "Land".....	12,500.00	
College "Land".....	8,500.00*	
Recitation Hall.....	10,000.00	
Dormitory.....	1,000.00	
Other Buildings.....	500.00	
Industrial Home "Land".....	6,000.00	
Dormitory.....	750.00	
Other Buildings.....	400.00	
		\$87,650.00

*Less: Unpaid portion of purchase price (\$8,500.00) College land, Higher Depart- ment.....	3,500.00
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\$84,150.00

Miyagi Girls' School

Land.....	23,000.00	
Two Recitation Halls.....	29,500.00	
Dormitory.....	6,000.00	
Other Buildings.....	500.00	
		59,000.00

CHURCHES AND PARSONAGES (Including Land)

Higashi Rokubancho, Sendai.....	1,950.00	
Aramachi, Sendai.....	1,750.00	
Kita Yobancho, Sendai.....	2,400.00	
Nagamachi, Miyagi Prefecture.....	450.00	
Fukushima.....	4,800.00	
Wakamatsu.....	3,500.00	
Yamagata.....	3,550.00	
Yonezawa.....	2,000.00	
Koishikawa, Tokyo.....	3,000.00	
Nakamura.....	700.00	
Kanda, Tokyo.....	850.00	
Sakata.....	950.00	
Iizaka.....	512.00	
Akita.....	1,910.00	
		28,322.00

RESIDENCES (Including Land)

In Sendai Eight (8).....	27,800.00	
In Yamagata Two (2).....	7,250.00	
In Wakamatsu One (1).....	7,000.00	
In Tokyo One (1).....	10,000.00	
		52,050.00
Total.....		\$223,522.00

SCHEDULE NO. 10

VALUATION OF PROPERTIES, CHINA MISSION

SHENCHOW STATION

10 acres land, Shenchow City, comprising South Compound, North Compound, East Gate Gardens, and Peace Garden.....	\$3000.00
<i>Residence No. 1</i>	
Situated in South Compound.....	1800.00
<i>Residence No. 2</i>	
3-Story cottage situated in North Compound.....	2500.00
<i>Boys' School</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Girls' School</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in South Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Men's Hospital</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	\$6000.00
<i>Women's Hospital</i>	
2-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	6000.00
<i>Church</i>	
T-Shaped brick Building with tile roof, situated in South Compound.....	3000.00
<i>Dispensary</i>	
1-Story brick Building situated in North Compound.....	500.00
<i>Gate-House and Buildings</i>	1200.00
<i>Luchi Property</i>	
1 Frame house, lot included, situated at Luchi, 20 miles west of Shenchow.....	350.73
<i>Wu Suh Property</i>	
Situated at Out-station Wu Suh.....	83.34
<i>Inventories:</i>	
<i>Girls' School</i>	
Furniture including bedding.....	620.00
Organ.....	90.00
Library.....	150.00
<i>Boys' School</i>	
Furniture.....	540.00
Organ.....	100.00
Library.....	200.00

 \$ 38,134.07

YCHOW STATION

Yochow

Lots and improvements; including Original Purchase from London Mission, subsequent purchases of lots, walls, well, well-house, church lots, Girls' School lots, Hospital lots, Dispensary lots, Woman's work lots, together with various small buildings purchased with said lots.....	\$7964.85
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Girls' School

Ziemer Memorial Girls' School— 2½-Story brick Building.....	12,000.00
Kitchen, Laundry, 1-story bldg....	1,500.00
Teachers' Houses.....	1,100.00
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	14,600.00

Yochow Hospital

2 Story brick Building, including out-buildings: kitchen, laundry, laboratory, etc.....	\$4,316.68
Franz Dispensary, 1-story brick....	315.31
Nurses' Home, 1-story brick.....	166.85
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	4798.84

Church, Yochow

1-Story brick Building.....	2,663.85
Evangelist's House at rear of church, 1-story brick Bldg.....	226.70
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	2890.55

<i>Woman's Work Buildings</i>	900.00
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Mei Shih Giao Street Chapel

Altered Chinese shops.....	431.67
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Main Street Chapel

Altered Chinese shops.....	1013.43
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Dwelling No. 1

2-Story brick Building.....	1539.15
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Dwelling No. 2

2-Story brick Building.....	1404.55
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Dwelling No. 3

Ladies' Residence, 2-Story brick Building.....	2153.28
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Dwelling No. 4

2-Story brick Building.....	1892.54
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Men's and Women's Guest Rooms

2 one-story brick Buildings.....	275.79
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Gate-Room and Book-Room

1-Story brick Building.....	67.82
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<i>Servants' Quarters</i>	
A row of one-story brick rooms, tile roof.....	63.50
Carpenter Shed.....	49.87
<i>Out-Stations</i>	
Yochow Port—Lot.....	303.35
<i>Buildings</i>	
Extending from Main Street, back to river front, a series of buildings,—Street—Chapel, including provision for day-school; church; rooms for evangelist's family; room for guest (brick with tile roof).....	1400.00
<i>Lin Hsiang</i>	
Lot with Chinese buildings arranged for Chapel, day-schools, evangelist's home.....	751.17
<i>Hsin Chiang</i>	
Lot.....	80.00
Day-school—1-story brick Bldg....	288.47
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	368.47
<i>Yun Hsi Chan</i>	
Lot with Chinese house.....	129.40
LAKESIDE	
<i>Hoffman Hall</i>	
2-Story, 24 rooms, brick with tile roof Dormitory.....	3346.16
<i>Recitation Hall</i>	
2-Story brick building, tile roof, 8 large and 4 small recitation rooms.....	3032.16
<i>Cottage Dormitory (Annex)</i>	
2-Story brick Building, 8 rooms.....	707.43
<i>Kitchen and Servants' Quarters</i>	
1-Story brick Building, 6 rooms.....	439.10
<i>Dining Room and Gymnasium</i>	
1-Story brick, with tile roof building.....	1355.36
<i>Boat-house and Oil-room</i>	
2 Small 1-story brick bldgs.....	49.41
<i>Horse-Stable and Carpenter's Shed</i>	
2 brick 1-story buildings.....	141.05
<i>Contagious Hospital</i>	
1-Story brick bldg. of 3 rooms.....	83.10
<i>School-Byer's House</i>	
1-Story, 2 rooms, brick with tile roof, construction.....	108.00
<i>Evangelist's House and Day-School</i>	
1-Story brick Building.....	250.00
3 Missionaries homes.....	6647.72
Chapel.....	2325.10
<i>4 Cottages</i>	
"Chinese Teachers".....	1320.00
Lakeside Land Property.....	6595.20
Inventories.....	623.37
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	70,021.39
Total.....	\$108,155.46

SCHEDULE NO. 11

1. INVESTED FUNDS

Brinker Legacy.	Knoxville Gas Company preferred, 6 per cent.....	\$1,700.00
Dechant Legacy.	Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Lebanon, Pa., first mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	100.00
Bucher Legacy.	Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Lebanon, Pa., first mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Summy Donation.	Lebanon Steam Laundry, coupon bond.....	100.00
	First mortgage on Lebanon City real estate.....	\$1,700.00
Dietz Legacy	Y. M. C. A. bonds.....	700.00
	United Telephone and Telegraph bond.....	500.00
	[Part of Sarah Ziegler legacy included.]	<u>2,900.00</u>
Gilbert Fund	Two United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	1,000.00
Malinda M. Acker Legacy	Lebanon Steam Heat Co. mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
George W. and Agnes Hoffman Donation		
First China Mission Fund for Education of Native Ministers	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Second China Mission Fund for Education of Native Ministers	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bonds, 5 per cent.....	500.00
McCauley-Hoke Memorial Fund	City of Denver, Colo., bond, 6 per cent.....	500.00
Sundry Legacies	Real Estate Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa.....	100.00
	United Telephone and Telegraph first mortgage bond, 5 per cent.....	500.00
Williard Legacy		<u>500.00</u>
	Total.....	\$8,900.00

2. OTHER FUNDS

Hiviling Legacy	Applied on purchase of North Japan College Lot, Sendai...	\$2,887.50
	Part of Sarah Ziegler bequest.....	112.50
		<u>\$3,000.00</u>
Ziegler Bequest	"Sarah Ziegler Bequest" combined as above.....	150.00
McCauley Fund	The "McCauley Memorial Building Fund," applied to building of Nibancho Church, Sendai.....	500.00
Williard Legacy	Applied on purchase of North Japan College Lot, Sendai...	500.00
Baer-McCauley Fund	(Bond matured, proceeds to be re-invested).....	500.00
Kuhns Bequest	Uninvested.....	5,000.00

SUPPORTERS OF SPECIAL OBJECTS 1914-1917

The Board of Foreign Missions desires to record its appreciation of the extra contributions from congregations, Sunday Schools, societies and individuals toward the support of special objects in Japan and China. These "designated gifts" represent a high level of liberality as well as a deep interest in the work of Foreign Missions.

MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND CHINA

(The salary of a married man is \$1200, of a single lady \$600, and of a single man \$700.)

Supporter

Missionary

Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa.	Dr. William F. Adams.
Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.....	Rev. Ezra H. Guinther.
Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.....	Miss Elizabeth J. Miller.
Hood College, Frederick, Md.....	Miss Mary E. Gerhard.
Gertrude B. Hoy Circle of Friends.....	Miss Gertrude B. Hoy.
St. John's Church, Shamokin, Pa.....	Undesignated.
St. Paul's Church, Reading, Pa.....	Undesignated.
St. John's Church, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	Miss Helen B. Ammerman.
St. John's Church, Allentown, Pa.....	Rev. Christopher Noss, D.D.
Reimert Prayer Circle.....	Rev. William A. Reimert.
Juniata Classical Missionary Society.....	Mrs. Meta B. Beck.
First Reformed Church, Galion, Ohio....	Miss Ollie A. Brick.
First Church, Galion, Ohio, and Kentucky Classis.....	Rev. Carl D. Kriete.
St. John's Church, Sunbury, Pa.....	Miss Rebecca N. Messimer.

JAPAN MISSION

Out-stations

(The annual cost of maintenance is from \$200 to \$600)

Supporter

Station

Salem Sunday School, Harrisburg, Pa.....	Shiroishi.
Rev. and Mrs. B. M. Meyer, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Iizaka.
St. John's Sunday School, Bellefonte, Pa.....	Koshigaya.
C. E. Society, Bluffton, Ind.....	Wakamatsu.
St. Paul's Miss. Society, Woodstock, Va.....	Wakamatsu.
Third Church Miss. Society, Baltimore, Md.....	Wakamatsu.
Circle of Five, Lock Haven, Pa.....	Wakamatsu.
J. O. Miller Missionary Society, York, Pa.....	Wakamatsu.
Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Shiffer, Ft. Wayne, Ind.....	Wakamatsu.
Missionary Society, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Tsurugaoka.
Men's League, St. Peter's Church, Huntingdon, Ind.....	Matsuyama.
Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio.....	Yamagata.
Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.....	Akita.
Christ Sunday School, Orrville, Ohio.....	Azabu.
Trinity Church, Altoona, Pa.....	Arai.
First Sunday School, Spring City, Pa.....	Yonezawa.
Trinity Church, Wilksburg, Pa.....	Sakata.
Sunday School and Miss. Society, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.....	Shinjo.

BIBLE WOMEN

(Annual Support from \$50 to \$125)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Bible Woman</i>
Christ Sunday School, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Miss Yasu Ishinomori.
Miss Fianna Leicht, Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Miss Sue Kibe.
St. Peter's Sunday School, Zelenople, Pa.....	Miss Toko Ogoi.
Missionary Society, Jefferson, Md.....	Miss Chika Yoshida.
Calvary Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.....	Miss Masa Munakata.
Mrs. A. V. Shuford, Hickory, N. C.....	Miss Take Yamamoto.
Ladies' Auxiliary, Lost Nation, Ia.....	Mrs. Yone Tamaru.
Israel S. S. Class No. 2, Paris, Ohio.....	Miss Tatsuyo Mayama
Missionary Society, Huntingdon, Pa.....	Miss Katsumi Saito.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

(These Funds are helping many worthy boys and girls in obtaining a Christian training. Conditions are such in Japan and China that a child may be obliged to leave school at any time. This is one reason why the Missions have requested the Board not to promise patrons particular students. Some of the patrons in the following list have paid for only one year. All contributions sent as scholarships are spent for that purpose.)

NORTH JAPAN COLLEGE

(\$40 per annum)

Supporter

Grace Church, Altoona, Pa.
 Rev. H. E. Sechler, China Grove, N. C.
 First Sunday School, Cincinnati, O.
 G. Raymond Smith, Latrobe, Pa.
 Missionary Society, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 W. M. S., Ohio Synod.

MIYAGI GIRLS' SCHOOL

(\$35 per annum)

Supporter

Mission Band and Women's Missionary Society, Lisbon, Ia.
 Young Women's Missionary Society, Evans City, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, First Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 Young Ladies' Missionary Society, First Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 St. John's Junior Christian Endeavor Society, Milton, Pa.
 First Sunday School, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Christ Junior Christian Endeavor Society, Hagerstown, Md.
 Ladies' Friendship Bible Class, West Leesport, Pa.
 Mrs. R. Hirt, Jr., Detroit, Mich.
 Member Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Akron, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 King's Daughters, Trinity Church, New Kensington, Pa.
 A Friend, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Faithful Circle, Salem Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.
 Grace Church, Akron, Ohio.
 Mission Band, Lansdale, Pa.
 Adolph Boesel, New Bremen, Ohio.
 Freeburg Charge, Pa.

Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Central Synod.
 A Friend to Missions.

CHINA MISSION

Out-stations

(The annual cost of maintenance is from \$150 to \$400)

<i>Supporter</i>	<i>Station</i>
Grace Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.....	Yochow Port.
Heidelberg League, C. E. S., Wilson Ave. Church, Columbus, Ohio.....	Luchi.

Bible Woman's Work

(Salary from \$30 to \$60 per annum)

Woman's Missionary Society, Christ Church, Hagerstown, Md.
 Miss Malinda Frick, Norristown, Pa.
 Missionary Society, First Church, Lancaster, Pa.
 F. H. Bauer, Sandusky, Ohio.
 Kreutz Christian Endeavor Society, Berne, Ind.
 Missionary Society and Sunday School, Marion, Pa.
 Hawker's Church, Dayton, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Southwest Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Central Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

LAKESIDE SCHOOLS, YOCHOW CITY

(\$25 per annum)

Fourth Church Christian Endeavor Society, Dayton, Ohio.
 Trinity Christian Endeavor Society, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Motts, Osnaburg, Ohio.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Huntingdon, Pa.
 Mt. Hermon Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Frauen Verein, St. Peters, Yutan, Neb.
 Trinity Sunday School, Mt. Crawford, Va.
 Mrs. H. H. Kattman's Sunday School Class, Berne, Ind.
 Rev. H. E. Sechler, China Grove, N. C.
 Primary Department, Evangelical Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 Helping Hand Society, St. James, Limerick, Pa.
 Mrs. Maud Stanley, Beloit, Ohio.
 Mr. F. H. Hantzman, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Springfield, Ohio.
 Arthur Bible Class, Grace Church, Springfield, Ohio.
 Mrs. C. Stengel's Sunday School Class, Berne, Ind.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gerber, York, Pa.
 Mission Study Class, St. Peter's Church, Lancaster, Pa.
 Mrs. Scull's Boys' Class, Somerset, Pa.
 Cairo Sunday School, New Berlin, Ohio.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, Kansas City, Mo.
 Intermediate Department, Zion's Sunday School, Baltimore, Md.

Clarence E. Rossell, Dayton, O.
 Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, O.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Fostoria, Ohio.

EASTVIEW BOYS' SCHOOL, SHENCHOWFU

(\$25 per annum)

Golden Rule Sunday School Class, Trinity Church, Wadsworth, Ohio.
 Heckerman Missionary Society, Cessna, Pa.
 Mt. Olivet Woman's Missionary Society, North Lima, Ohio.
 Mrs. I. R. Hazen, North Lima, Ohio.
 Faith Sunday School, Reading, Pa.
 Godfrey Burk, Cleveland, Ohio.
 Zion Sunday School (Birthday Fund), York, Pa.
 St. Paul Sunday School, Pleasant Unity, Pa.
 Noil Missionary Society, St. Matthew's, Enola, Pa.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, Bellevue, Ohio.
 Hebron Class, Zion Sunday School, York, Pa.
 St. Mark's Sunday School, Monroe, Pa.
 George B. Geiser, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Frederick S. Gross, Philadelphia, Pa.

ADDITIONAL BOY STUDENTS IN CHINA

Mission Band, Lisbon, Ia.
 Teachers' Training Class, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 St. John's Sunday School, Wapwallopen, Pa.
 Zion's Christian Endeavor Society, Louisville, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, East Mauch Chunk, Pa.
 Member of Church at Freeburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Shippensburg, Pa.
 Class No. 11, Christ Sunday School, Robertsville, Ohio.
 O. A. B. C., St. James Lovettsville, Va.

ZIEMER MEMORIAL GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW CITY

(\$25 per annum)

Christ Church, Latrobe, Pa.
 Ladies' Society, Haskins, Ohio.
 Miss Annie Wolff, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 Miss Dora Ebersole, Greensburg, Pa.
 St. John's Church, Bedford, Pa.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Willow Street, Pa.
 Mr. J. H. Knoll, Reading, Pa.
 Birthday Fund, Zion Sunday School, York, Pa.
 Zion's Church, Stroudsburg, Pa.
 Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 First Sunday School, Xenia, Ohio.
 Young Ladies' Bible Class, Souderton, Pa.
 Miss Margaret Sheekes' Zion's, Sunday School Class, Reading, Pa.
 Harmony Bible Class, Trinity Church, Thornville, O.
 Grace Church and Sunday School, Frederick, Md.
 Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Grace Christian Endeavor Society, Sioux City, Ia.
 Primary Department Sunday School, Evangelical Church, Frederick, Md.
 Junior Department, Fourth Sunday School, Dayton, Ohio.
 Trinity Sunday School, East Petersburg, Pa.

Ladies' Aid Society, Christ Church, Boston, Mass.
 O. A. B. C., Salem Sunday School, Emlenton, Pa.
 Heckerman Missionary Society, Cessna, Pa.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heitzman, Lost Nation, Ia.
 St. Peter's Christian Endeavor Society, Clay City, Ind.
 Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Wichita Classis.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, SHENCHOWFU

\$25 per annum)

First Sunday School, Lancaster, Pa.
 St. Mark's Sunday School, Easton, Pa.
 Wooster Ave. Christian Endeavor Society Akron, Ohio.
 Miss Laura A. Clemmer's Sunday School Class, W. Alexandria, Ohio.
 Mrs. Fred S. Gross, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Hope Circle Sunday School Class, Albion Church, W. Salem, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 O. A. B. C. Gleaners, Broadheadsville, Pa.
 Young People's Society, Ohio Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

ADDITIONAL GIRL STUDENTS IN CHINA

Sunday School Class of Girls, Sunbury, Pa.
 Ladies' Aid Society, Yutan, Neb.
 Christian Endeavor Society, Yutan, Neb.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Lone Tree, Ia.
 Trinity Missionary Society, Troutville, Pa.
 Miss Blanche B. Zercher, Conestoga, Pa.
 Misses Anna E. and Gertrude L. Berthel, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
 Pauline Missionary Society, First Church, E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.
 Lady Member, Tipton, Ia.
 Charity Class, Redeemer Sunday School, Littlestown, Pa.
 King's Daughters, Trinity Church, New Kensington, Pa.
 Mission Study Class, St. Peter's, Lancaster, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Salem Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Member of Woman's Missionary Society, Salem Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Trinity Church, Thornville, Ohio.
 Brown Memorial, Woman's Aid and Missionary Society and Molly Carpenter Fund of McGaheyville and Mt. Crawford, Va.
 Searchlight Club, Orrville, Ohio.
 Christian Endeavor Society, New Bremen, Ohio.
 Mrs. B. W. Swigart, Kenmore, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School Class, Detroit, Mich.
 St. Paul's Christian Endeavor Society, St. Mary's, Ohio.
 Sunday School Class, Orrville, Ohio.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Southwest Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Pittsburgh Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Ohio Synod.

BEDS IN HOY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, YOCROW CITY

(\$25 will maintain a bed for one year)

Ladies' Bible Class, Huntingdon, Pa.
 J. O. Miller Missionary Society, York, Pa.

Heidelberg Christian Endeavor, Marion, Pa.
 Mr. George B. Geiser, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Friendship Class, First Sunday School, Fremont, Ohio.
 Pastor's Aid Society, Christ Reformed Church, Middletown, Md.
 Missionary Club, Harmony Church, Zwingle, Ia.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.
 Mrs. M. L. Henning and Family, Louisville, Ohio.
 Crestline Christian Endeavor Society, Crestline, Ohio.

BEDS IN ABOUNDING GRACE HOSPITAL, SHENCHOWFU

Men's Bible Class, St. Paul's Memorial Church, Reading, Pa.
 Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.

COOK IN ZIEMER GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW, CHINA

Rev. S. T. Wagner, New Bloomfield, Pa.

MATRON IN ZIEMER GIRLS' SCHOOL, YOCHOW, CHINA

Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.

MARGARET SANTEE MEMORIAL LIBRARY, YOCHOW, CHINA

Woman's Missionary Society, Potomac Synod.

CHAPEL FUNDS

Japan

Bequest of Mrs. Magdalena Bair.....Akita.
 The Christian and Lewis Henry Steiner Memorial.....Taira.

China

Wm. G. Hoke, Grace Church, Hanover, Pa.
 (To be named "The Joseph Garber Fund").....Yochow Field.
 David and Catherine Krieger.....Yochow Field.

OUTFIT AND PASSAGE MONEY FOR MISSIONARIES

Member St. Luke's, Lock Haven, Pa.
 Miss Mabel J. March, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Junior C. E. Society, Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Mrs. W. H. Shultz, Payne, O.
 Mrs. Anna Ehrle, Wheeling, W. Va.
 Mrs. Maggie Braid, Homeworth, O.
 Miss Elizabeth Guthrie, Lone Tree, Ia.
 St. John's Sunday School, Spencerville, Ohio.
 Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society, Springboro, Ohio.
 Mt. Eaton, Ohio, Congregation.
 Mr. Walter Wickerson, Springboro, Ohio.
 Mr. Paul Harbaugh, Franklin, Ohio.
 Miss Callie Beck, Lebanon, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stone, Lebanon, Ohio.
 "Flores" of Mt. Eaton, Ohio.
 Members, Springboro, Ohio.
 Christ Church and Sunday School, Orrville, Ohio.
 Grace Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Trinity Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 First Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Miller Avenue Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.
 Willard Sunday School, Akron, Ohio.

Miss Mary Swanders, Swanders, Ohio.
 Beaver Congregation and Sunday School, Xenia, Ohio.
 Zion's, Ashland, Pa.

SENDAI CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE, JAPAN

(Our Mission has had a part in founding, controlling and sustaining this Orphanage from the beginning. One of the cottages bears the name of the Reformed Church. The maintenance of an orphan requires about \$40 a year.)

Mr. M. L. Mantz, Spencer, Ohio.
 Primary Department and Sunday School, St. Paul's, Reading, Pa.
 H. O. A. B. Class, No. 5, Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Miss E. W. Clossom, Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Trinity Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Central Ave. Church, Indianapolis, Ind.
 St. John's Sunday School, Ft. Wayne, Ind.
 A Friend.
 Mr. James H. Hall, Jeannette, Pa.
 Mr. G. W. Hassler, Chambersburg, Pa.
 Mrs. P. T. Kuhns, Frederick, Md.
 Emanuel Sunday School, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Grace Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
 K. Eberhart's Class, Indianapolis, Ind.
 St. John's Sunday School, Indianapolis, Ind.
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1901						1	15	10											19	2	21	21	8	1	2	50	45		30.00	\$3.00	33.00	33.00													
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1886						1	23	48	12											2	2	4	4	2	9	20	145	24	360.13	2.10	362.23	62.32	31.25	373.57	\$99.67										
1893						1	1	8	7										15	2	17	17	20	1	2	30	21		46.31		46.31	46.31	1.50	42.50	44.00										
1916						1	2	2											2	9	11	11	4	1	2	65	61		15.84		13.75	13.75													
Fukushima Field Totals.	4	9	10	5	25	372	207	579	70	22	1	93	6	16	27	49	39	10	408	33	318	759	379	27	89	2231	1348	187	\$4553.63	\$53.28	\$4606.91	\$853.21	\$3753.45	\$4606.66	\$907.90	\$5.75	\$5652								
Aided Churches Totals.	14	22	26	19	73	1105	763	1868	160	88	18	266	22	56	79	157	183	20	1277	109	714	2100	1158	85	206	5665	4007	368	\$12874.47	\$176.19	\$13050.66	\$2707.91	\$10378.57	\$13086.48	\$2056.40	\$190.88	\$19631								
1890						1	321	642	62	11	3	76	5	30		35	15	2	295		23	318	113	1	19	260	159	41	595.09	71.55	666.64	688.48													
1893						1	26	52	15	1	2	18	1	4		5	6		37	5	10	52	42	1	13	130	75	10	121.04	3.30	124.34	129.33													
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Grand Totals, 1916.	18	22	27	23	73	1545	1165	2710	258	104	23	385	32	92	119	243	222	23	1690	117	765	2572	1357	89	249	6295	4454	424	13806	32	297	19	14103	51	3789	75	10378	57	11168	32	2128	43	266	80	47536
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Compiled by Christopher Noss, April 5, 1917.

The Financial Items are stated in terms of American money.

**STATISTICS OF THE CHINA MISSION, JULY 1, 1915, TO
JUNE 30, 1916**

	Church Members		Baptisms		Foreign Ordained Men		Foreign Unordained Men		Foreign Single Women		Foreign Married Women		Chinese Christian Workers (Men)		Chinese Christian Workers (Women)		Inquirers		Preaching Places		Chinese Contributions for Church		Sunday Schools		Scholars		Teachers		Boys' School Students		Girls' School Students		Day School Students		Middle School Students		Hospitals		Number of Beds		In-patients		Major Operations		Minor Operations		Dispensary Patients	
Yochow.....	108	27	3	3	3	1	4	3	3	8	1	8	1	84	8	33.30	4	356	20	174	60	7	..	1	52	670	65	445	16579																			
Lakeside....	51	14	3	1	2	4	1	1	12	3	6.24	3	165	20	174	..	60	53	..	2	100	157	24	..	1200																							
Shenchowfu..	57	16	2	2	3	4	8	1	60	5	18.41	1	255	21	83	41	33	12	2	100	157	24	..	1200																								
Totals.....	216	57	8	3	7	11	17	3	156	16	\$57.95	8	776	61	257	101	100	65	3	152	827	89	445	17779																								

Report of Standing Committee on Foreign Missions

The Standing Committee on Foreign Missions submitted its report at the fourth session. It was acted on item by item and finally adopted as a whole. It is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: There has been referred to your Committee on Foreign Missions the 13th Triennial Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. The only other documents placed in our hands are copies, in English and in German, of "The Apostle of Ryo-U," an interesting account of the life and work of the late Rev. Herman H. Cook, of Yamagata, Japan.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we are pleased to learn of the gratifying progress of our work in Japan and in China and of the encouraging results of the faithful work of our missionaries.

In Japan the three years' Evangelistic Campaign, conducted by our mission in connection with the missions of other churches, has been especially fruitful and hundreds have been led to profess Christ, while thousands have given their names as inquirers. At the same time, our own separate evangelistic work has met with an encouraging response.

Our educational work in Japan continues to maintain its high standards. North Japan College has a nation-wide influence. It enrolls more students than any other educational institution

in the Church. Last year 150 applicants could not be admitted for lack of room. The pressing need of this institution is for buildings for the college department. Dr. and Mrs. David B. Schneder have been devoting their furloughs to the work of raising funds for this purpose and their appeals have met with a generous response. The Industrial Home, under Rev. E. H. Guinther, has cared, during the past year, for 30 boys. The Miyagi Girls' School shares the honors with North Japan College. Since the last meeting of the General Synod, the number of students has increased from 150 to 211 and applicants have been refused admission for want of room. A second Recitation Hall is about to be erected.

During the triennium five new missionaries have been sent to Japan to fill vacancies—Rev. Alfred Ankeney, the son of a member of the Board; Rev. Paul Schaffner; Prof. F. B. Nicodemus; and Misses Elsie J. Seymour and Lola Lindsey. Mr. Oscar Stoudt is under commission.

Our Japan Mission and the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church of America have united in recommending to their several Boards the transfer of the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church work in America, in the prefectures of Iwate and Aomori, to our mission. This work consists of two stations and seven out-stations. The Board asks that it be authorized to accept this transfer.

In the two missions stations in China, the educational, evangelistic and medical work has been faithfully carried by our missionaries in the face of many discouragements and obstacles caused by lack of equipment and workers. The gifts of the Church on Foreign Mission Day, 1917, will now make it possible to erect the Women's Hospital in Yochow, and to provide a Boys' Dormitory at Shenchowfu, thus realizing for its proper use the Women's Hospital Building of that station, now being used as a dormitory. The work in the two men's hospital, under Dr. Adams and Dr. Thompson, has not only brought physical relief to thousands of patients, but has provided a rich opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel.

In spite of the political unrest and strife in the new republic, the evangelistic work has continued without interruption. The service rendered by Mr. Henrichsohn, as mediator, during the recent troubles in Hunan, have given him and his co-workers a more earnest hearing in their preaching of the Gospel. The work of the Lakeside Schools, at Yochow, and of the Eastview at Shenchowfu, has continued to prosper and its very success makes it imperative to embrace the great opportunities that are offering themselves. Ziemer Memorial School, with its new building, is entering upon a new period of usefulness, and the Girls' School, at Shenchowfu, cannot accommodate all who apply for admission.

Four new missionaries have been sent to China during the triennium—Prof. Karl H. Beck, Rev. J. W. Owen, and Misses Eliza-

beth Miller and Marion Firor. Miss Esther Sellemeyer is under commission.

There has been an unusual amount of illness during the past three years. Mrs. Henry K. Miller and Mrs. William A. Reimert had to come to America for treatment. Several of the missionaries in China and Japan have had to undergo operations. At the present time Prof. Horace R. Lequear, of Yochow, is disabled for work. No workers in the Church are in greater peril of their health or in greater need of the prayers of the Church than they who are laboring in foreign lands.

Your Committee is gratified to learn of the deepened interest of our people in the home-land in this important work of world evangelization. The Board has been greatly encouraged by the generous gifts of the Church during the past triennium. The Prince of Peace Funds almost entirely provided for the debt of the Board, realizing more than \$123,000, and the offering on Foreign Mission Day, in this present year, exceeded the offering on any similar occasion, the amount of \$25,000 for the Women's Hospital Work in China being assured. In addition to their regular support of the work the women of the Church have obligated themselves to pay the cost of the rebuilding of the Zierner Memorial School in Yochow, and of the Second Recitation Hall in the Miyagi Girls' School, Sendai. All this means more than the sums of money involved—important as these are and necessary to the prosecution of our work—it speaks of a larger interest in the hearts of our people and of a deepened consecration to the cause of the extension of the Kingdom. The great gathering of the men of the Church in the Men's Missionary Congress at Allentown, in November, 1915, was another expression of the determination of the Reformed Church to evangelize its part of the world.

The income from the apportionment and especial gifts has not been sufficient for the growing work in China and Japan. The receipts have been largely increased by the support of individual missionaries and of mission stations by congregations, educational institutions, and individual members of the Church. The increase in such special giving will prove a great blessing both to the work and to the givers. The building of chapels by congregations and by individuals is also urged upon the Church. These are urgently needed for permanence of our work and cannot be provided in sufficient number out of the regular revenues of the Board.

Grateful recognition is made by the Board of the services of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, for 24 years our faithful Treasurer, who has resigned his office and has been made Treasurer-Emeritus.

The visit to our mission stations in China and Japan by the Field Secretary, Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, and his wife, has fitted these servants of the Church to present with new and appealing force the claims of the foreign field.

It is a matter for regret that, owing to the world war and the lack of funds, the Board has not been able to establish the mission

in the Moslem World, authorized by this Synod at its last meeting. Cash subscriptions for this purpose amounting to \$1700 have already been received, indicating the Church's interest in the proposed work among the Mohammedans. It is the Board's hope to establish this mission in the near future.

Your Committee desires to express its appreciation of the full and clear financial statement prepared by the Treasurer, Rev. A. S. Bromer. It provides full information in every detail with reference to the financial work of the Board. It is encouraging to learn from this report that the receipts during the past triennium were \$161,226.15 over those of the previous triennium. It is to be remembered, however, that this included the Prince of Peace Fund of \$123,000 and a large amount for North Japan College, both special items which cannot be counted upon as sources of revenue for the coming triennium.

One dark shadow resting upon the work of the Board during the past three years is the fact that it has been impossible, through lack of funds, to add to our forces on the foreign field. The need of additional workers and of larger equipment call for more generous giving on the part of the Church at home.

Your Committee offers the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. That Synod records its appreciation of the faithful and self-sacrificing service of its missionaries in China and Japan.

2. That the sincere sympathy be extended to the missionaries who are seriously ill at the present time and that they be remembered at the throne of grace in prayer, to be offered upon the final adoption of this report.

3. That we bear testimony to the faithful and efficient service of Rev. Herman H. Cook of the Japan Mission; express our sense of the deep loss suffered by the Church in his seeming untimely death and extend our heartfelt sympathy to his widow and children.

4. That we commend to the Church the effort of Mrs. David B. Schneder to complete the funds which she and her husband have so earnestly labored to raise for the erection of the buildings for the College Department of North Japan College, and ask congregations and individuals generously to coöperate in bringing to a successful issue this project, so vital to the success of our work in Northern Japan.

5. That we express our pleasure in learning of the successful outcome of the Prince of Peace Fund Campaign, in which the sum of more than \$123,000 was raised, almost enough to liquidate the large indebtedness of the Board, and record our appreciation of the services of Rev. Jacob G. Rupp, and of his associates, who conducted this campaign.

6. That we express our appreciation of the devotion of the women of the Church as shown in their offer to provide a second Recita-

tion Hall in the Miyagi Girls' School and to rebuild the Ziemer Memorial School, in addition to their regular contributions to the missionary work of the Church.

7. That we record our appreciation of the faithful service of Dr. Joseph L. Lemberger, who filled the office of Treasurer of the Board for almost a quarter of a century and proved his devotion to the Church and its work not only by giving unsparingly of his time and his talent, but by pledging his own personal credit for the prosecution of the work.

8. That Synod authorize the Board to arrange for the transfer of the evangelistic work of the Reformed Church in America in the prefectures of Iwate and Aomori, in northern Japan, to our Japan Mission.

9. That we reiterate our action of three years ago, authorizing the Board to establish a mission in the Moslem World so soon as, in its judgment, conditions at home and abroad warrant doing so; in order that we may undertake the work of carrying the Gospel to the three million Mohammedans for whose evangelization we have made ourselves responsible.

10. That we record our sense of the invaluable service rendered to the cause of missions by the magazine, "The Outlook of Missions," in informing the people of the Church with reference to every phase of this important work; and that we ask the coöperation of pastors and congregations in the effort to increase the circulation of this magazine 50% during the next triennium.

11. That we commend the Summer Missionary Conferences as ideal schools of training for Christian service and urge congregations to send their ablest young men and young women to the Conferences in their several localities.

12. That the annual apportionment for the work of the Board of the Foreign Missions for the coming triennium be fixed at 80 cents per member. This will amount approximately to \$260,000—\$10,000 more than the amount of the annual appropriation apportioned three years ago. Your Committee would call attention to the fact that, while Synod at that time apportioned \$750,000 for the work of Foreign Missions for the three years, there was received through the apportionment within that time only \$251,021.42—but little more than one-third the amount apportioned. In addition to this, the sum of \$270,827.90 has been received through special gifts. This recommendation carries with it the earnest request that the Districts Synods and the Classes and the congregations would use every endeavor to provide the full amount of this apportionment, apart from all special gifts, for this most important and urgent work of the Church, and we again urge upon congregations the adoption of the Annual Every-member Canvass and the Weekly Subscription for Missions.

13. That we heartily commend to the Church the Board's plan for the care of individual missionaries and mission stations by

congregations and individuals and for the erection of chapels by individual gifts.

14. That we endorse the plan of the Board with reference to the annual contributions of one day's income by members of the Church to the work of foreign missions, especially in the case of those members who are not making a weekly offering for this purpose.

15. That Foreign Mission Day be observed by congregations and Sunday-schools on the second Sunday in February of each year, and that the Epiphany season be set apart as a season for special missionary study, prayer and giving.

16. That Synod expresses its sincere confidence in the Secretary and members of the Board of Foreign Missions; pledges them its earnest intention of doing all in its power to support the work committed to their keeping and its hope to soon make it possible for the Board to enlarge the scope of that work.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRI L. G. KIEFFER, <i>Chairman</i> ,	
S. L. MESSINGER,	H. ECHELMEIER.
R. E. CRUM,	E. H. GOOD.

In consideration of the report Synod was addressed by Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Rev. J. G. Rupp, Dr. Wm. E. Hoy, Dr. Christopher Noss, Prof. F. B. Nicodemus, and Dr. Allen K. Faust. Student Nabibax Jan Patet, from the Central Theological Seminary, about to go as a missionary to his people in India, was introduced. In accordance with the provision of *Item 2*, Synod was led in prayer by the Rev. Dr. C. F. Kriete. The items of this report, dependent for their effectual accomplishment upon the favorable action of the Synods and Classes, were so referred.

11. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

This report was presented at the fifth session.

By special motion the custom of electing Fraternal Delegates to corresponding bodies was unanimously discontinued because General Synod feels that the reasons which formerly warranted such election no longer prevail; inasmuch as full opportunity for fraternal interchange is afforded by means of membership in the Alliance of Reformed Churches, the Council of Reformed Churches in America, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and the Commission on Faith and Order. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Nominations begs to report the following nominations for vacancies for the various Boards, Committees, Councils, etc. The names of persons nominated will be among those in the left hand column of the ballot. The Synodical connection of the nominees is indicated by letters, thus: E.—Eastern Synod; O—Ohio; Ptg.—Pittsburgh; Po.—Potomac; N. W.—Northwest; S. W.—Southwest; G. E.—German Synod of the East; C.—Central; Int.—Interior.

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E.—Eastern Synod.	Po.—Potomac.
O.—Ohio Synod.	G. E.—German of the East.
N. W.—Synod of the Northwest	C.—Central.
S. W.—Synod of the Southwest	Int.—Interior.
Ptg.—Pittsburgh Synod.	

Cross off names of those for whom you do not vote.

The names of those re-nominated are always found in the left hand column.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

(Vote for Four)

Rev. C. B. Schneder, D. D....E.	Rev. E. F. Evemeyer.....E.
Rev. E. R. Williard, D. D....O.	Rev. D. Webster Loucks.....O.
Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D.	
Ptg.	Rev. A. B. Bauman.....Ptg.
Rev. G. D. Elliker.....N. W.	Rev. W. F. Horstmeier....N. W.

(Vote for Two)

Elder E. J. Titlow.....E.	Elder Milton Warner.....E.
Elder E. L. Coblentz.....Po.	Elder H. T. Heckerman.....Po.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(Vote for Four)

Rev. J. I. Good, D. D.....E.	Rev. C. B. Alspach, D. D....E.
Rev. A. S. Bromer.....E.	Rev. A. O. Reiter.....E.
Rev. Frederick Mayer, D. D...C.	Rev. Theo. P. Bollinger.....C.
Rev. I. W. Hendricks, D. D...Po.	Rev. A. M. Gluck.....Po.

(Vote for Four)

Elder John W. Appel, Esq....E.	Elder G. W. Hartman, M. D..E.
Elder David A. Miller.....E.	Elder F. E. Ammerman.....E.
Elder Wm. Anspach.....E.	Elder Amandus Oswald.....E.
Elder Murray G. Motter, M. D.	
Po.	Theo. M. Wood.....Po.

PUBLICATION AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL BOARD

(Vote for One)

Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D...E.	Rev. G. A. Poetter.....E.
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(Vote for Two)

Elder N. M. Balliet.....E.	Prof. Robert S. Birch.....E.
Elder H. E. Hartman.....E.	Elder Howard R. Knecht.....E.

(Vote for One)

Rev. J. H. Bomberger, D. D....O.	Rev. H. S. Gekeler, D. D.....O.
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(Vote for One)

Elder Geo. A. Wood.....Po.	Elder E. A. Shulenberger....Po.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D....Ptg.	Rev. D. Snyder Stephan.....Ptg.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. Henry Schmidt.....C.	Rev. N. E. Vitz.....C.
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BOARD OF ORPHANS' HOME

(Vote for Three)

Rev. D. G. Glass.....E.	Rev. E. E. Kresge, Ph. D.....E.
Rev. E. D. Wettach, D. D....O.	Rev. H. N. Bassler.....E.
Elder Calvin O. Althouse.....E.	Elder Benj. F. Fouse.....Po.

COMMITTEE ON COLORED WORK

(Vote for Three)

Rev. Chas. E. Schaeffer, D. D..E.	Rev. W. F. Naefe.....S. W.
Rev. C. F. Kriete, D. D....S. W.	Rev. D. A. Winter.....S. W.
Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D....Po.	Rev. W. W. Rowe.....Po.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

(Vote for One)

Rev. Philip Vollmer, D. D....O.	Rev. E. M. Beck.....O.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. Wallace H. Wotring, D. D. E.	Rev. F. H. Moyer.....E.
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(Vote for One)

Elder C. H. Leinbach.....E.	Elder Morris J. Ulrich.....E.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. H. C. Nott, D. D....N. W.	Rev. H. Holliger.....N. W.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. John Barnhart.....Po.	Rev. E. R. Deatrick.....Po.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. Fred H. Keller.....E.	Rev. A. Krampe.....C.
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(Vote for One)

Rev. F. W. Berleman, D. D. G. E.	Rev. Carl H. Gramm.....G. E.
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MISSIONARY AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

(Vote for Three)

Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D...E.	Rev. Henri L. G. Kieffer.....Po.
Rev. J. O. Reagle, D. D.....O.	Rev. Carl E. Stein.....C.
Rev. E. S. Bromer, D. D....Ptg.	Rev. O. S. Frantz.....Po.

(Vote for Four)

W. W. Anspach.....E.	W. H. Habel.....Ptg.
F. Von Tacky.....G. E.	A. R. Brodbeck.....Po.
Milton Warner.....E.	E. S. Fretz.....E.
Wm. H. Dechant.....E.	W. J. Frank.....O.

FEDERAL COUNCIL

(For Eight Years)

(Vote for Five)

Rev. Chas. E. Schaeffer, D. D..E.	Rev. Geo. Stibitz, D. D.....O.
Rev. H. H. Apple, D. D., LL. D. E.	Rev. J. H. Bomberger, D. D...O.
Rev. H. J. Christman, D. D...O.	Rev. Geo. Albert Snyder....Po.
Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D. D...E.	Rev. Paul B. Rupp.....Ptg.
Rev. J. M. G. Darms, D. D...E.	Rev. J. M. Runkle, Ph. D...Ptg.

(For Four Years)

Rev. W. Stuart Cramer.....E.	Rev. H. C. Nott, D. D....N. W.
Rev. Philip Vollmer, D. D....O.	Rev. Josias Friedli.....N. W.
Rev. Theo. F. Herman, D. D...E.	Rev. Theo. Bollinger.....C.
Elder E. H. Marcus.....S. W.	Rev. Alfred F. Grether.....C.
Elder Frank Brown.....S. W.	Rev. O. G. Herbrecht.....Int.

COUNCIL OF REFORMED CHURCHES IN AMERICA HOLDING THE PES-
BYTERIAN SYSTEM

(For Six Years)

(Vote for Six)

Rev. E. S. Bromer, D. D....Ptg.	Rev. E. F. Wiest, D. D.....E.
Rev. J. Rauch Stein.....E.	Rev. David A. Winter....S. W.
Rev. A. C. Shuman, D. D....E.	Rev. Ernest N. Evans.....Int.
Elder C. M. Guthrie.....Int.	Rev. Chas. B. Alspach, D. D..E.
Rev. A. S. Weber D. D.....Po.	Rev. Ellis S. Hay.....Int.
Geo. Leslie Omwake, Pd. D....E.	Rev. Robert J. Pilgram....Ptg.

(For Three Years)

(Vote for Six)

W. M. Irvine, Ph. D.....Po.	Rev. D. B. Lady, D. D.....Ptg.
Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D...E.	Rev. Henri L. G. Kieffer....Po.
Rev. F. C. Seitz, D. D.....E.	Rev. S. H. Stein.....Po.
Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D. Ptg.	Elder S. R. Neiman.....Int.
Rev. L. J. Rohrbaugh.....O.	Elder P. W. Seibert.....Ptg.
Rev. J. H. String.....O.	Elder H. F. Texter.....Ptg.

ALLIANCE OF REFORMED CHURCHES

(Vote for Twenty-one)

Rev. James I. Good, D. D....E.	Rev. W. E. Lampe.....Po.
Rev. A. E. Dahlman.....G. E.	Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D. D.. Po.
Rev. J. H. Bomberger, D. D....O.	Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D. D...E.
Rev. Geo. W. Richards, D. D...E.	Rev. J. F. Moyer, D. D.....E.
Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D...E.	Rev. R. L. Gerhart, D. D....E.
Rev. Theo. F. Herman, D. D...E.	Rev. A. M. Schmidt, D. D...E.
Rev. F. Grether, D. D....N. W.	Rev. A. E. G. Herman.....E.
Rev. C. F. Kriete, D. D...S. W.	Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D....Po.

Elder Geo. L. Kunkle.....E.	Rev. J. C. Leonard, D. D....Po.
Elder L. G. K. Musselmann...Int.	Rev. A. S. Dechant.....Po.
Rev. A. S. Zerbe, D. D.....O.	Rev. Robert O'Boyle.....E.
Rev. B. S. Stern, D. D....G. E.	Rev. H. J. Christman, D. D...O.
Rev. J. B. Bloom.....Int.	Rev. E. T. Herbruck, D. D...O.
Rev. E. M. Beck.....O.	Rev. D. B. Shuey, D. D.....O.
Rev. C. Hassel.....G. E.	Rev. J. C. Horning.....Int.
Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D. E.	Rev. David H. Fouse.....Int.
Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, D. D....E.	Elder John P. Hiester.....Int.
Rev. E. F. Hoffmeier.....Ptg.	Elder Harry E. Paisley.....E.
Rev. Paul A. Dundore, Ph.D. Ptg.	Elder A. H. Rothermel, Esq.. E.
Rev. A. C. Renoll.....Ptg.	Elder Simon Beisheim.....G. E.
Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D.	Elder L. P. Teel.....Po.

Po.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. E. CREITZ,	F. H. RUPNOW,
GEO. ALBERT SNYDER,	G. D. ROBB,
H. H. WIANTZ,	SILAS S. BROWN,
JOHN C. GEKELER,	GEO. HAGELSKAMP.

The election was held on Tuesday afternoon as per Order of the Day. The Committee of Tellers as found under Article III collected the ballots, without the calling of the roll of Synod, and later reported as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee of Tellers on Election would report the following result:

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

Rev. C. B. Schneder, D. D. (*E.*), Rev. E. R. Williard, D. D. (*O.*),
Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D. (*Ptg.*), Rev. G. D. Elliker (*N. W.*),
Elder E. J. Titlow (*E.*), Elder E. L. Coblenz (*Po.*).

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BOARD OF ORPHANS' HOME

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COUNCIL OF REFORMED CHURCHES IN AMERICA HOLDING THE PRESBYTERIAN SYSTEM

For Six Years.—Rev. E. S. Bromer, D. D. (*Ptg.*), Rev. J. Rauch Stein (*E.*), Rev. A. C. Shuman, D. D. (*O.*), Elder C. M. Guthrie (*Int.*), Rev. A. S. Weber, D. D. (*Po.*), Geo. Leslie Omwake, D. D. (*E.*). *For Three Years.*—W. M. Irvine, Ph. D. (*Po.*), Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D. (*E.*), Rev. F. C. Seitz, D. D. (*E.*), Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, D. D. (*Ptg.*), Rev. L. J. Rohrbaugh (*O.*), Rev. J. H. String (*O.*).

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E. S. HASSLER,	E. R. DEATRICK,
D. R. RAISER,	H. S. LANG,
J. ARTHUR SCHAEFFER,	W. J. MOYER,
WM. F. DELONG,	LOUIS WORTHMANN,
J. S. FREEMAN,	FRED HAUPT.

12. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ORPHANS' HOMES

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Orphans' Homes respectfully submits the following triennial report:

Reports have been received from the following Homes: Bethany, Womelsdorf, Pa.; Nazareth, Crescent, N. C.; St. Paul's, Greenville, Pa.; Fort Wayne, Ind.; Hoffman Orphanage, Littlestown, Pa.

Our report is based on the reports submitted by the Superintendents of each Home. The total enrollment in these Homes is 456.

The officers of the respective Boards are as follows:

Bethany, Womelsdorf, Pa.—President, James T. Reber, Reading, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. Wilson F. More, D. D.; Treasurer, C. G. Gross, 879 North 41st Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

St. Paul's, Greenville, Pa.—President, John E. Kunkle, Esq., Greensburg, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. A. M. Keifer; Treasurer, Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D., Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Nazareth, Crescent, N. C.—President, Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., Crescent, N. C.; Superintendent, Rev. J. W. Bell; Treasurer, George H. Moose, Gold Hill, N. C.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—President, Mat. Kirsch, Decatur, Ind.; Superintendent, Rev. John F. Winter; Treasurer, Rev. H. H. Kattman, Berne, Ind.

Hoffman Orphanage, Littlestown, Pa.—President, Rev. A. S. Dechant, Hanover, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. A. H. Smith; Treasurer, Rev. C. S. Slagle, D. D., Westminster, Md.

Running through all these reports is a spirit of heartfelt gratitude to God for the blessings showered upon our Homes. The people have responded cheerfully to all the calls and a generous support has been given to this noble cause.

Bethany. Superintendent More reports: "There cannot be much variation from year to year in the life and work at a well-kept Orphans' Home. Children come, they grow up and they go away, but during the successive generations the same environment is created for them, the same influence is brought to bear upon them and the same work is done with them. There are hereditary traits and there are varying degrees of responsiveness and these account for differences in the results. But methods cannot vary very much so long as you remain true to sound principles of education, training and culture."

Three annual reports are submitted embracing the completed triennium. Besides giving a brief summing up of the work of these three years they show a continuous evidence of the Divine favor and blessing and of the people's helpful interest and loyal support. The loaves and fishes have been multiplied day by day, the children have eaten and were satisfied and the fragments have been gathered so that nothing was lost.

Four things stand out prominently in this triennium report:

1. A diphtheria epidemic affecting some forty children and necessitating a five and one-half months' quarantine with the result that all the children were restored to health.

2. The burning of the beautiful Bausman Memorial Church and its rebuilding with funds given for that purpose so that it could be once more dedicated without debt.

3. The alarming rise in the cost of living bearing unusually heavy upon institutions depending altogether upon voluntary contributions for support.

4. The increasing difficulty in getting the right kind of help to do the work at the Home notwithstanding the present-day church emphasis upon the importance of social service.

Another item of no little interest is the announcement that time and attention is given to the care of the teeth of the children. The B. O. H. Circle of Reading has made it possible to furnish and equip a dental office in the Home and to provide dental supplies. The services of a well-equipped dentist have been secured, visiting the Home once a week. Specialists for the eye, ear, nose and throat have also given their services during the triennium. The results were good, and further aid when needed was given at the Reading Hospital.

This same Circle also provided playground apparatus for the Home, and this affords much amusement and pleasure to the children.

We note also with sorrow the death of the Home physician, Dr. Horace L. Livingood, who served the Home for a period of 26 years.

St. Paul's. In the 49th annual report we note that 119 children have been cared for during the year. The past year has been most satisfactory in realizing the aims and ideals of the Board with the children of the Home. On account of the increased cost of food and supplies the problem of providing the necessities of life for the children has been a complicated and sometimes a perplexing one. The total income for the past year was \$18,368.23, an increase of \$207.53 over the previous year. The cost of maintenance was \$16,537.70, a decrease of \$238.10 over the last year.

For 34 years a debt has rested upon the Home and this has been a continual drain upon the maintenance fund and has limited the work of the Home. On June 22, 1909, four months after the completion of the new buildings at Greenville, this debt was \$21,427.37, which was apportioned upon the Classes of Pittsburgh Synod. By January 1 of this year it was reduced to \$10,837.50, and it is expected by the coming summer to further reduce the same.

The 50th anniversary of the founding of the Home will be celebrated in connection with the next annual meeting of Pittsburgh Synod, and steps will be taken to wipe out the debt by that time. An Orphans' Home Debt Raising Campaign was on during the month of April this year. The report also states that never in the 49 years of history of the Home has the Church as a body made a special effort to raise money for the equipment of the Home. The Board of Directors and the Superintendent have made themselves responsible to raise \$1000.00 among themselves.

Within the past year two extraordinary gifts have come to the Home. The first was a gift of a building commonly known as the

Ferner Cottage, presented by the Rev. and Mrs. Charles R. Ferner at a cost of \$9973.18. This building was dedicated June 24, 1915.

The second was a bequest of Joseph C. Kuhns of \$5000.00 to be devoted to the payment of the chapel. Part of this bequest has been received and when the remainder is received, the chapel will be designated as a memorial to Mr. Kuhns' mother.

This Home also publishes a paper, "*The Orphans' Friend*."

Fort Wayne. According to this report placed in our hands the Home has been caring for 82 children, and provision is being made, at least in part, to care for more by the proposed new building. The work has been carried on without any interruption except for a short time in which an epidemic of measles broke out. The need of a new building is very evident and an earnest appeal has gone out for funds to complete the same without any debt. The Synods under whose care this Home is have acted favorably on the recommendations of the Board and we believe the response will be most liberal for this worthy institution. The cost of the building is to be about \$25,000.00. It is hoped that it will be completed by the time of the anniversary this year.

The crops have only been fair as is the case with farms in this vicinity. Repairs must be made continually and the expenses are increasing, so that the Superintendent asks a liberal support and sufficient donations to meet all demands. The Superintendent and his wife are doing all in their power to make the Home a real home for the orphans. The children are taught to work and are kept busy.

It is gratifying to note that one of the boys has decided to study for the ministry and is now pursuing his studies at the Mission House. His main support comes from a very kindly disposed lady in Indiana who provides funds for him "all by herself" as she puts it. This is indeed a beautiful act and should be known by the Church at large. The lady has no income but her salary.

Nazareth. In this Home there are 42 children, 18 boys and 24 girls. The health of the children has been good. The school has been conducted in the large cheerful room in the new building, the Superintendent and his wife serving as teachers. In addition to their studies in school and during the vacation period, the children are required to work along such lines as they are able to carry with the present help and equipment. They are looking forward to the day when suitable buildings and equipment will be furnished to carry out the idea of an Industrial Home.

On August 3 last, the 10th anniversary was held and was attended by about 4000 people. On that day the new building erected for school, chapel and dormitory purposes, at a cost of \$10,000.00, was dedicated free of debt. This day is becoming to be the rallying day of our Church in North Carolina.

The finances of the Home are in a healthy condition. The actual needs are always met with a reasonable degree of promptness on the part of the people. The receipts of the last year were \$7000.00

and the expenditures were \$7000.00, including \$2000.00 collected and paid on the new building. Donations to the amount of about \$400.00 were also received during the year.

Additional help has also been provided for the Home, thus lightening the burdens of the Superintendent and the Matron. The present Superintendent and Matron have resigned to take effect June 1. Rev. W. B. Werner and wife, of Brunswick, Md., have been elected Superintendent and Matron.

The Home is in need of many things the better to equip it for its work. There is a small endowment but this ought to be increased. The children are supported by individuals, congregations and Sunday-schools at the rate of \$50 per year. The work of this Home is largely of a missionary character, due to the fact that it is located in missionary territory. Some of the children come from families having no church relationship.

Hoffman. The George W. and Agnes Hoffman Orphanage is located near Littlestown, Pa., and is under the care of the Potomac Synod. The farm consists of 200 acres, 30 of which are in timber. Among the donations noted are \$500 from St. Mary's Church, Silver Run, Md., and from Mr. Shepherd of Hanover, Pa., which helped to make possible the stocking of the farm.

The Home cares for the children on the cottage plan, and at present only one is used in which there are 17 boys and 12 girls. Plain living, early rising and varied outdoor activities keep the children in almost perfect health. One girl is in the Keystone Private Hospital at Harrisburg, Pa., where Dr. G. W. Hartman performed a most delicate and serious operation.

The religious and moral training is carefully looked after by the Superintendent and the Pastor of St. James Church, where the children attend services in a body. A school is maintained under the direction of a competent instructor. This is supplemented by training in agriculture for the boys and domestic work for the girls.

On April 3, 1916, the barn at the Hoffman homestead was destroyed by fire. A part of the season's crop was destroyed. Two passenger conveyances were presented to the "Home" to replace the one destroyed.

The high cost of living is felt and for this reason larger offerings are asked for. An additional cottage is also needed as many destitute orphans are knocking at the doors.

We note with pleasure that the religious training is not neglected in our "Homes." The study of the Bible is emphasized and all are surrounded with the influences of real Christian home life. The Catechism is taught and a number of children were confirmed in each "Home."

Respectfully submitted,

D. G. GLASS, *Chairman*,
G. W. HARTMAN, *M. D.*

Report of the Standing Committee on Orphans' Homes

The Standing Committee on Orphans' Homes presented its report at the sixth session. The report was read and adopted; it reads as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Orphans' Homes herewith submits the following report: Reports from the five orphanages, under the care of our Church, came under the consideration of your Committee. Four hundred and fifty-six children are receiving the instruction and the care of the Church in these various institutions.

Bethany, at Womelsdorf, Pa.—The officers of this Home are: President, James T. Reber, of Reading, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. W. F. More, D. D.; Treasurer, C. G. Gross, 879 North 41st Street, Philadelphia, Pa. One hundred and eighty-four children are under the care supervision of this Home.

In the report to General Synod of three years ago, reference was made to the erection of the Bausman Memorial Church, at the cost of \$10,300. On December 19, 1915, this beautiful structure, in loving remembrance of Dr. Benjamin Bausman, was destroyed by fire. Through the efforts of friends, it was speedily rebuilt and dedicated without debt. The alarming increase in the cost of living is being keenly felt by this, as well as every institution, depending largely upon voluntary contributions for support.

St. Paul's Orphans' Home, Greenville, Pa.—The officers are: President, John E. Kunkle, Esq., Greensburg, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. A. M. Keifer; Treasurer, Rev. Lewis Robb, D. D., Wilkesburg, Pa. One hundred and nineteen children have been cared for during the past year.

The 50th anniversary of the founding of this Home will be celebrated in connection with the annual meeting of Pittsburgh Synod in the fall of 1917. A debt raising campaign was undertaken in the spring of this year. An effort will be made to liquidate the entire indebtedness of a trifle over \$10,000 before the next annual meeting of Pittsburgh Synod.

During the past triennium two noteworthy gifts have been received by this Home: The first was a gift of a building, to be known as the Ferner Cottage, presented by the Rev. and Mrs. Chas. R. Ferner, and representing an expenditure of \$9973.18. This building was dedicated June 24, 1915. The second was a bequest of Joseph C. Kuhns of \$5000.00, to provide for the erection of a chapel, as a memorial to his mother.

Fort Wayne, of Fort Wayne, Ind.—This institution has been caring for 82 children. The officers are: President, Matthias Kirsch, Decatur, Ind.; Superintendent, Rev. John F. Winter; Treasurer, Rev. H. H. Kattman, Berne, Ind.

A contract was entered into, January 15, 1917, for the construction of a new building, to cost about \$25,000.00.

Nazareth, Crescent, N. C.—This Home is caring for 47 children. The officers are: President, Rev. J. M. L. Lyerly, Ph. D., Crescent, N. C.; Superintendent, Rev. W. B. Werner; Treasurer, G. H. Moose, Gold Hill, N. C.

On August 3, 1916, this institution celebrated its 10th anniversary, and at the same time dedicated a building designed for school, chapel and dormitory purposes, costing \$10,000.00. This building was dedicated free of debt, and the finances of the Home are in a healthy condition.

Hoffman, near Littlestown, Pa.—Thirty-four boys and girls are under the care of this Home. The officers are: President, Rev. A. S. Dechant, Hanover, Pa.; Superintendent, Rev. A. H. Smith; Treasurer, Rev. C. S. Slagle, D. D., Baltimore, Md.

The farm of 200 acres has been well stocked through the liberality of St. Mary's Reformed Church, of Silver Run, Md., and Mr. Shepherd, of Hanover, Pa.

On April 3, 1916, this institution suffered the loss of the barn, by fire. An additional cottage is urgently needed.

In view of the foregoing, in which the reports of these several institutions are epitomized, your Committee recommends the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. That the Synod profoundly recognizes the bestowal of Divine blessings upon the various activities of the five orphans' Homes of the Reformed Church in the United States.

2. That in view of the increase in the cost of living, the Synod through the Classes commends to our people the urgent necessity of increasing their contributions towards the support of these various institutions; and that the weaker orphanages receive sympathetic consideration and financial support from all sections of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. STEPHAN,
W. W. ROWE, F. E. AMMERMAN,
N. E. VITZ, A. W. ZIMMERMAN.

13. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIETIES

The report of this Committee was presented at the sixth session and was adopted as a whole. The report reads as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Young People's Societies would submit the following report:

To your Committee was referred the report of the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies covering the past three years.

From this report we learn that the effort of the General Synod to deal with the Young People's work of the Church has now

extended over a period of six years without anything substantial having been accomplished. From the very beginning it has been recognized that if the Church was to further the work of the Young people there would have to be established a permanent department of Young People's work with a secretary to look after this phase of the Church's life. So far this organization has not been effected because of the lack of funds for such purpose. Another obstacle in the way is the fact that the work of the Young People's Societies now in existence is complicated with the modern developments of the organized departments of the Sunday-school, missionary organizations, brotherhoods and guilds, junior congregations and other modern methods of Church life. Then too, so far it has not been possible to get a complete statistical table of the Young People's Societies now in existence in our Church. For these reasons the General Synod's efforts to promote the Young People's work of the Church remains about where it was six years ago. From the incomplete returns gathered by the Secretary of the General Synod's Permanent Committee, we learn that at the present time there are Young People's Societies in 43 of the Classes. These organizations represent Christian Endeavor Societies, Heidelberg Leagues and Brotherhoods of different kinds. The total membership is 38,339. During the past triennium these organizations gave for missions the sum of \$15,413; for other benevolences, \$16,-452; and for congregational purposes, \$78,775; making a total of \$110,640, which is surely a considerable sum.

From these facts it is evident that the young people of our Church constitute a strong but untrained body that needs to be drafted into the service of the Church for the building of the Kingdom of God into the life of nation and world. If they have done so much of their own free will and accord, what might they not do under efficient leadership? The Reformed Church has in its young people a vast untouched resource.

In view of these conditions we submit for your earnest consideration the following resolutions:

1. That the Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies of the General Synod be continued.
2. That a Young People's Department be established with its own Secretary and office.
3. That it be independent from entangling arrangements with the Publication and Sunday-school, Home Mission and Foreign Mission Boards, but in harmony with them seek to develop the various activities of the Young People's Societies of the Church.
4. That the third Sunday in October be established as Young People's Day in the Church Calendar and devoted to the development of the department.
5. That the Standing Committees on Young People's Societies of the Classes, each year carefully summarize the statistics according to the blank issued by General Synod and that the Stated Clerks of the Classes be instructed to forward them to the Chairman of

the General Synod's Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies until the Secretary of the department is appointed.

A. M. GLUCK,
J. B. BLOOM, ALBERT ANKENY,
E. G. LEINBACH, C. A. PURBAUGH.

The following supplementary resolution was offered by Dr. E. S. Bromer and was adopted:

Resolved: That the support of the new Young People's Society Department shall be derived from the various Young People's Societies of the Church; and, further that if for this triennium, the department does not become self-supporting, the annual deficit shall be paid in equal portion by the three Boards of General Synod most interested in the development of the work of the young people, viz: the Home Mission, Foreign Mission, and Publication and Sunday-school Board.

The Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies was continued and consists of Revs. E. S. Bromer, Clayton H. Ranck, Robert M. Kern; and Elders A. J. Shartle and E. A. Shulenberger.

14. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

The report was presented at the seventh session and was adopted as a whole. In its consideration Synod was addressed by Rev. Dr. John C. Bowman, Rev. Dr. A. E. Dahlman, Rev. Clayton H. Ranck, Rev. Dr. J. H. Christman, Rev. H. H. Rowe, Rev. W. Stuart Cramer and Elder Horace Ankeney.

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Committee on Benevolent and Religious Institutions wishes to report as follows:

There have been referred to us by Synod, and brought to our attention otherwise, the catalogues and announcements of the following literary and theological institutions of the Church:

1. Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.
2. Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio.
3. Catawba College, Newton, N. C.
4. Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.
5. Mission House, Sheboygan, Wis.
6. Hood College, Frederick, Md.
7. Allentown College for Women, Allentown, Pa.
8. Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, Lancaster, Pa.
9. Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio.

An examination of these shows that unusual progress has been made by these institutions during the past triennium, especially in buildings and endowments and material equipment of which the following may be mentioned:

1. Franklin and Marshall College increased its endowment to the extent of \$350,000.

2. Heidelberg University erected a Library Building and a Science Hall.

3. Ursinus College thoroughly renovated one of its buildings and purchased two additional properties.

4. The Mission House is erecting a new building that will cost \$80,000.

5. Hood College has relocated and erected entirely new buildings.

6. Allentown College for Women has relocated and erected new buildings.

7. The Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., is engaged in erecting a Dormitory and an addition to the Library, to cost \$100,000.

8. Central Theological Seminary erected a new building during the triennium.

9. The courses of study have been broadened in a number of the institutions.

10. The number of students is growing especially in the literary institutions.

We recommend the following for your consideration and action:

Resolved, That Synod rejoices in the prosperity of all these institutions.

Resolved, That we commend the Colleges and Seminaries of our Church to the interest, support and patronage of our people.

Resolved, That we call Synod's attention to Catawba College as being a needy and useful institution in the South, and as deserving the sympathy and help of the stronger sections of the Church.

Resolved, That we commend the work of the Association of Academies and Colleges and Seminaries as calculated to promote the interests of all our literary institutions.

W. D. HAPPEL,	J. W. PEELER,
C. M. SCHAAF,	E. D. BRIGHT.

15. REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

This Committee reported at the seventh session. The several items were adopted seriatim and the report was adopted as a whole.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Judicial Committee in presenting its report would call attention to an unusual and altogether exceptional,

as well as gratifying, condition characteristic of this present meeting of General Synod. There has not been presented to this body at its present session a single case of appeal or complaint. Perhaps we are justified in regarding this circumstance as a sign of the absence of the spirit of contention and strife and the presence of peace and harmony within our borders.

There have been referred to this Committee, however, certain communications from several of the Classes, asking for an explanation of certain articles of the Constitution. These are as follows:

1. A request from the Lancaster Classis of the Ohio Synod, asking for a deliverance of the General Synod, in regard to the meaning of Article 71 of the Constitution.

In answer to this request, the Committee would recommend the following action: That the election to a pastorate by a charge, of a Theological student or a person not previously licensed to preach the Gospel, is evidently a violation of Article 71 of the Constitution.

2. A request from the German Maryland Classis, asking the General Synod to decide whether Article 60 of the Constitution is to be regarded as requiring an elder to be elected as one of the members of the Executive Committee of a Classis.

In response to this request the following action is recommended: That, in the judgment of this Synod, it is required by Article 60 of the Constitution that an elder should be elected as a member of the Executive Committee of a Classis.

3. A communication from the East Pennsylvania Classis of the Eastern Synod, requesting of the General Synod an interpretation of Article 84 of the constitution to be given in answer to the following questions:

(a) Do those Classes comply with the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States which hand parochial reports to the Committee on the State of the Church, without being first read in open Classis?

(b) Do those Classes comply with the Constitution which call the elders to the chancel and ask them the constitutional questions at the same time?

The following answers to these questions are recommended:

(a) That, in the judgment of this Synod, a proper sense of the dignity and importance of the parochial report would seem to be best expressed and the spirit and the letter of the Constitution best complied with by each pastor personally reading his report in the presence of the Classes, but that the matter of its presentation to the Classis, is a matter to be determined by each Classis for itself.

(b) That each Classis may decide for itself whether the elders shall be called up one at a time, or all at the same time, to answer the constitutional questions, but that in every case the questions are to be asked and answered individually and not collectively.

4. A communication from the Synod of the Northwest, calling the attention of General Synod to certain incorrect statements in the reports of the Judicial Committee at the last General Synod in regard to the case of the Mission House brought before that Committee for determination.

In reference to this communication the following action is recommended: That this Synod regrets any mistakes or irregularities that may have occurred in the conduct of the case in question, but that, since these do not in any way affect the validity of the decision, and since this decision has been accepted, it is understood by all concerned, it is, in its judgment not wise to reopen for consideration the question thus determined.

J. SPANGLER KIEFFER,

JOHN C. BOWMAN,

BENJ. S. STERN,

ALVIN S. ZERBE,

F. C. BRUNHOUSE,

SEFELLEN E. STOFFLETT,

EDW. H. MARCUS.

16. REPORT OF TREASURER

SYNOPSIS OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

May 1, 1914. Balance in Treasury.....		\$51.17
1914-1917. Received from various Synods:		
	Amount	Amount
	Apportioned	Paid
Eastern.....	\$5105.00	\$4815.69
Ohio.....	1244.00	1245.00
Northwest.....	736.00	491.00
Southwest.....	418.00	278.68
Pittsburgh.....	948.00	903.73
Potomac.....	1897.00	1404.94
German East.....	740.00	740.00
Central.....	988.00	988.00
Interior.....	177.00	88.50
		10,955.54
Bank Loans.....		4,000.00
Arrearage Zion's Classis Potomac Synod.....		34.18
		\$15,040.89

Expenditures

One-half R. R. fare for 34 Delegates to General Synod....	\$ 839.26
Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Rent of Church, Lancaster, Pa.....	100.00
Rev. J Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk, Salary, Printing, and Expenses, etc.....	959.79
Printing and Supplies.....	182.23
Rev. F. W. Leich, Ass't Stated Clerk, Salary and Expenses.	553.00
Publication and S. S. Board, Minutes of General Synod....	2,539.96
Central Publication Board, Minutes and Printing.....	1,139.96
Federal Council Dues.....	941.00
Alliance of Reformed Churches, Dues.....	1,260.00
Council of Reformed Churches, Dues.....	150.00
Expenses of Delegates to Federal Council.....	412.82
Expenses of Delegates to Council of Reformed Churches....	182.98

Expenses of Committee on Young People's Work.....	108.80
Expenses of Hymnal Committee.....	370.49
Expenses of Delegates to Other Denominations.....	16.00
Treasurer's Salary.....	150.00
Bank Loans Paid.....	3,300.00
Interest Paid.....	527.50
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	170.53

Total Expenditures.....	\$13,904.32
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Receipts.....	\$15,040.89
Expenditures.....	13,904.32

Balance in Treasury.....	\$ 1,136.57
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(There is a balance of \$1200.00 due the Western National Bank, York, Pa., on account of loans made at various times.)

ACCOUNT OF E. A. RICE, TREASURER OF GENERAL SYNOD, FOR THE TRIENNium 1914-1917

Receipts

1914

May 27	Bank Loan.....	\$1,000.00
Aug. 8	Bank Loan.....	1,000.00
Aug. 31	Balance from W. R. Barnhart, Treasurer.....	51.17
Sept. 22	Rev. A. Spangler, Treasurer of Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod, Arrears.....	34.18
Nov. 13	Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, Central Synod.....	300.00

1915

Jan. 7	Rev. Charles L. Noss, Pittsburgh Synod.....	155.00
Jan. 27	Bank Loan.....	2,000.00
Mar. 22	Rev. Chas. L. Noss, Pittsburgh Synod.....	161.00
May 3	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	54.00
May 6	Rev. A. Spangler, Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod.....	88.94
May 24	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	74.00
June 2	Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, Central Synod.....	29.33
June 4	Wm. Streblow, Synod of Northwest.....	245.00
June 7	E. H. Marcus, Synod of Southwest.....	139.34
June 9	C. W. Thomas, Synod of the Interior.....	88.50
July 2	F. W. Berleman, German Synod of the East.....	250.00
Aug. 4	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	921.00
Aug. 14	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	92.00
Aug. 30	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	167.00
Sept. 20	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	105.00
Sept. 25	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	458.05
Sept. 30	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	26.00
Oct. 2	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	173.00
Oct. 7	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	171.75
Oct. 22	Rev. A. Spangler, Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod.....	81.41
Dec. 1	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	149.64
Dec. 2	F. P. Brown, Ohio Synod.....	415.00
Dec. 29	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	33.00

1916

Jan. 24	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	789.69
Feb. 1	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	32.99

Mar. 28	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	1.40
May 2	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	95.00
May 4	Rev. A. Spangler, Zion's Classis Potomac Synod..	18.59
May 16	Rev. F. W. Berleman, German Synod of the East	250.00
May 29	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	49.52
May 31	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	1,219.20
June 26	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	2.70
July 25	Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, Central Synod.....	329.33
Aug. 28	Wm. Streblow, Synod of the Northwest.....	246.00
Aug. 28	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	29.00
Aug. 30	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	77.00
Sept. 9	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	497.00
Sept. 11	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	171.00
Sept. 25	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	49.00
Sept. 28	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	2.27
Oct. 4	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	285.00
Oct. 5	E. H. Marcus, Synod of the Southwest.....	139.34
Oct. 19	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	93.00
Oct. 30	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	102.73
Oct. 30	Lehigh Classis, Eastern Synod.....	273.00
Nov. 28	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	49.00
Dec. 2	Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, Central Synod.....	329.34
Dec. 28	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	102.00

1917

Jan. 25	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	40.00
Jan. 29	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	4.00
Feb. 10	R. M. Hoffman, Eastern Synod.....	112.00
Feb. 26	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	4.00
Feb. 27	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	29.48
Mar. 27	C. M. Wolff, Potomac Synod.....	60.00
Mar. 28	Rev. Frank Wetzel, Pittsburgh Synod.....	25.00
Apr. 20	H. Echelmeier, German Synod of the East.....	240.00
May 5	F. P. Brown, Ohio Synod.....	830.00

Total Receipts..... \$15,040.89

Expenditures

1914

May 27 Paid one-half of railroad fares to meeting of General Synod as follows:

John Schnatz.....	\$	31.20
M. G. Lentz.....		12.50
Rev. J. C. Leonard.....		12.89
Rev. H. W. Schriver.....		20.04
Rev. Caleb Hauser.....		20.04
Rev. A. Casselman.....		35.00
Rev. J. H. Hawk.....		22.65
Rev. W. W. Rowe.....		14.00
C. M. Guthrie.....		34.00
Rev. J. M. Lyerly.....		12.25
Rev. Wm. C. Zenk.....		20.50
Paul G. Kluge.....		25.05
Frank Nezerka.....		22.00
Rev. L. L. Hassenpflug.....		35.00
Rev. J. B. Bloom.....		34.00

	Rev. Jos. M. Newgard.....	17.00
	John Endres.....	35.00
	Rev. A. Muehlmeier.....	19.54
	Rev. C. Wm. Deglow.....	27.74
	Simon Wehrmann.....	20.84
	Augustus Kraemer.....	23.14
	Rev. J. Gaterman.....	23.14
	Rev. E. G. Krampe.....	20.00
	Rev. P. Traeger.....	28.11
	S. R. Neiman.....	29.00
	Rev. J. N. Naly.....	21.62
	John Lenberger.....	18.70
	Rev. E. E. Gruenstein.....	39.52
	Rev. H. Achterman.....	33.57
	C. H. Aisenbrey.....	31.72
	J. F. Heldstab.....	32.00
	Rev. P. M. Orr.....	35.00
	Chas. Fishburn.....	17.50
	Rev. J. L. Murphy.....	15.00
May 27	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	10.00
June 30	Rev. Cyrus Cort, Railroad Agent, etc.....	19.00
June 30	Bethlehem Printing Co., Printing.....	9.45
June 30	Rev. F. W. Leich, Stated Clerk, Salary and Travel- ing Expenses.....	103.00
July 2	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Typewriter, Enrollment Clerk, etc.....	131.26
July 2	Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Use of Church for General Synod.....	100.00
July 2	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Balance of Expense of Dr. Lang	15.00
Aug. 8	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	20.00
Aug. 31	Barclay Westmoreland Trust Co., Loan and Int...	510.00
Sept. 29	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	20.00
Oct. 17	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk, Salary, Sten- ographer, etc.....	209.50
Oct. 26	B. D. Lecklider, Expense of Member of Finance Committee.....	40.15
Oct. 26	Rev. Geo. Stibitz, Council of Reformed Churches	38.00
Oct. 26	Rev. J. L. Murphy, Committee on Colored Work	26.20
Oct. 26	Rev. J. C. Leonard, Committee on Colored Work	29.10
Oct. 26	Rev. A. E. Dahlman, Council of the Reformed Churches.....	39.00
Nov. 23	A. J. Shartle, Young People's Work.....	15.00
Nov. 23	Rev. E. S. Bromer, Young People's Work.....	15.76
Nov. 23	Rev. R. M. Kern, Young People's Work.....	2.00
Nov. 23	Rev. C. H. Ranck, Young People's Work.....	14.07
Nov. 28	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	20.00
1915		
Jan. 14	Alfred R. Kimball, Treasurer Federal Council, Dues.....	307.00
Jan. 25	Rev. David Van Horne, Council of the Reformed Church.....	38.00
Jan. 25	Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Hymnal Committee..	17.00
Jan. 25	Emory L. Coblentz, Hymnal Committee.....	14.65
Jan. 25	Publication and S. S. Board, Acc. Minutes of Gen- eral Synod.....	608.26

Jan. 25	Central Publishing House, Acc. Minutes of General Synod.....	218.65
Jan. 25	Philip E. Howard, Treasurer, Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	420.00
Jan. 25	Rev. A. S. Zerbe, Council of Reformed Churches..	38.00
Jan. 25	E. A. Rice, Treasurer, Salary.....	50.00
Jan. 27	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	60.80
Apr. 28	Bethlehem Printing Co., Printing.....	154.50
Apr. 28	Intelligencer Printing Co., Printing.....	18.28
Apr. 28	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Postage and Stationery.....	19.51
Apr. 28	Rev. F. W. Leich, Ass't Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
Apr. 28	Central Publishing House, Interest.....	26.23
Apr. 28	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
Apr. 28	Rev. Theo. F. Herman, Federal Council.....	7.50
Apr. 28	Publication and S. S. Board, Printing and Supplies.....	43.43
Apr. 28	Dr. J. H. C. Roentgen, Continental Churches....	1.29
Apr. 28	Rev. J. Harvey Mickley, Freight.....	3.05
Apr. 28	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
June 25	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
Aug. 11	Rev. Lewis Robb, Bible and Moral Instruction....	20.00
Aug. 24	Philip E. Howard, Treasurer, Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	420.00
Aug. 24	Publication and S. S. Board, Acc. of Minutes...	1,500.00
Aug. 25	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
Oct. 23	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
Nov. 23	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Hymnal Committee.....	29.50
Nov. 23	Publication and S. S. Board, Supplies.....	23.77
Nov. 23	Philip E. Howard, Treas., Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	420.00
Dec. 23	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
Dec. 24	J. Rauch Stein, Postage and Stenographer.....	57.25
1916		
Jan. 15	E. A. Rice, Treasurer, Salary.....	50.00
Jan. 31	E. L. Coblentz, Hymnal Committee.....	14.30
Jan. 31	Prof. Jos. H. Apple, Hymnal Committee.....	18.02
Jan. 31	Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Hymnal Committee..	20.85
Jan. 31	Rev. John H. Rettig, Hymnal Committee.....	34.00
Jan. 31	Rev. E. P. Skyles, Hymnal Committee.....	14.40
Jan. 31	Rev. H. C. Nott, D. D., Hymnal Committee.....	61.00
Jan. 31	Rev. E. S. Bromer, Young People's Work.....	7.00
Jan. 31	Rev. R. M. Kern, Young People's Work	2.50
Jan. 31	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Hymnal Committee.....	7.67
Jan. 31	Rev. C. H. Ranck, Young People's Work.....	6.00
Jan. 31	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Conference Faith and Order...	9.28
Jan. 31	Alfred R. Kimball, Treas. Federal Council.....	313.00
Feb. 12	Central Publishing House, Acc. Minutes.....	895.08
Feb. 28	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount....	40.80
Apr. 11	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Clerical Assistance, Printing, etc.....	49.52
Apr. 11	Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, Council of Reformed Churches.....	1.00
Apr. 11	Rev. E. S. Bromer, Council of Reformed Churches	17.48
Apr. 11	E. L. Coblentz, Council of Reformed Churches...	2.50
Apr. 11	Rev. I. H. DeLong, Council of Reformed Churches	3.50

Apr. 11	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Council of Reformed Churches	3.00
Apr. 11	Rev. A. S. Weber, Council of Reformed Churches	2.50
Apr. 11	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Binding Copy for General Synod.....	1.00
Apr. 25	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	40.80
May 23	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
May 23	Rev. F. W. Leich, Ass't Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
May 23	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Postage.....	1.38
May 23	Publication and S. S. Board, Acc. Minutes of General Synod.....	324.68
June 27	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Note and Interest.....	1,030.60
July 14	Rev. E. S. Bromer, Young People's Work.....	21.38
July 14	Rev. R. M. Kern, Young People's Work.....	2.50
July 14	A. J. Shartle, Young People's Work.....	20.70
July 14	Rev. C. H. Ranck, Young People's Work.....	1.89
July 14	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Expense Reformation Committee.....	4.03
Aug. 31	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Note and Interest.....	525.50
Sept. 4	Rev. Henry H. Ranck, General Assembly of U. P. Church.....	16.00
Sept. 4	Publication and S. S. Board, Typewriting Letters	1.50
Oct. 18	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Note and Interest.....	1,015.00
Dec. 19	Rev. J. M. G. Darms, Federal Council.....	52.00
Dec. 19	Rev. S. B. Mase, Federal Council.....	28.00
Dec. 19	Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Federal Council.....	50.46
Dec. 19	Rev. Henry J. Christman, Federal Council.....	26.15
Dec. 19	Rev. Chas. E. Schaeffer, Federal Council.....	42.00
Dec. 19	Rev. Geo. W. Richards, Federal Council.....	65.60
Dec. 19	Rev. Theo. F. Herman, Federal Council.....	67.62
Dec. 19	Alfred R. Kimball, Treas. Federal Council.....	321.00
Dec. 29	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Note and Interest.....	312.00
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Jan. 15	Geo. W. Good, Federal Council.....	45.64
Jan. 15	Publication and S. S. Board, Postage, etc.....	21.67
Jan. 15	Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Hymnal Committee..	19.00
Jan. 15	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Hymnal Committee.....	15.00
Jan. 15	Publication and S. S. Board, Material Hymnal Committee.....	12.65
Jan. 15	E. A. Rice, Postage.....	3.60
Jan. 15	E. A. Rice, Treasurer, Salary.....	50.00
Mar. 1	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	12.00
Mar. 1	Rev. David F. McGill, Treas. Council of Reformed Churches.....	150.00
Apr. 20	Western National Bank, York, Pa., Discount.....	6.00
Apr. 27	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
Apr. 27	Rev. F. W. Leich, Ass't Stated Clerk, Salary.....	150.00
Apr. 27	Publication and S. S. Board, Supplies.....	4.00
Apr. 28	Rev. J. H. Rettig, Hymnal Committee.....	46.00
Apr. 28	Emory L. Coblenz, Hymnal Committee.....	7.50
Apr. 28	Prof. Jos. H. Apple, Hymnal Committee.....	15.25
Apr. 28	Rev. S. P. Skyles, Hymnal Committee.....	15.35
Apr. 28	Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, Hymnal Committee..	21.00

Apr. 28	Rev. Jas. I. Good, Hymnal Committee.....	1.50
Apr. 28	Rev. Philip Vollmer, Federal Council.....	27.85
Apr. 28	Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Stationery, Postage, etc.....	38.70

Total Expenditures.....	\$13,904.32
Balance in Treasury.....	1,136.57
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	\$15,040.89

E. A. RICE, *Treasurer*.

Since the report was closed the following amounts have been received:

Eastern Synod, R. M. Hoffman, Treas.....	\$ 134.00
Synod of the Southwest, E. H. Marcus, Treas.....	139.34

This leaves the following Synods in arrears:

Eastern Synod.....	\$ 156.00
Pittsburgh.....	44.27
Potomac.....	492.06
Interior.....	88.50
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	\$ 780.83

Obligations Unpaid:

Rev. H. S. Nott, Hymnal Com. (Received since Report was closed).....	\$ 42.50
Council of Reformed Churches, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914	210.00
Federal Council of Churches of Christ, 1917	327.00
Alliance of Reformed Churches, 1917	420.00
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	\$ 999.50

E. A. RICE, *Treasurer*.

17. REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

This Committee reported at the sixth session, the several items were adopted seriatim and the report as herewith presented was adopted.

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

There was placed in our hands for consideration:

(A) The report of the Treasurer of General Synod.

(B) Items of expense incurred by General Synod.

(C) The action of General Synod paying one-half of car-fare of delegates from territory west of the Mississippi River and from North Carolina.

(D) The various sums apportioned by General Synod for the various Boards, including an item in the report of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee.

1. We have audited the Treasurer's accounts and find the same correct. The Treasurer reports total receipts for the triennium of \$15,559.23; total expenditures \$13,904.32; Synods are in arrears to the amount of \$780.83; unpaid bills to date \$999.50; outstanding note payable \$1200.00. If all arrearages are collected in full and all obligations paid in full, the balance on hand in the Treasury will be \$236.24.

2. The following Synods are in arrears: Eastern, \$156.00; Pittsburgh, \$44.27; Potomac, \$492.06; Interior, \$88.50.

3. Your Committee has carefully gone over the several amounts represented in a schedule of expenses for the next triennium and find that it will require an apportionment of 4 cents per member.

4. As a guide to your Treasurer we suggest the following schedule of expenses for the next triennium: Salary of the Treasurer, \$150.00; Stated Clerk, \$450.00; Assistant Stated Clerk, \$450.00; Roll Clerk, \$20.00 and expenses; use of the Church, \$100.00; printing Minutes \$4000.00; other printing, stationery and postage, \$300.00; stenographer, etc., for Stated Clerk, \$300.00; Alliance of Reformed Churches, \$1260.00; the Council of Reformed Churches, \$215.00; the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, \$1000.00; one-half of car-fare of delegates to General Synod, \$850.00; Committee on Bible in Public Schools, \$100.00.

We recommend the following:

Resolved, (1) That we reiterate the action of General Synod three years ago, namely: That where a District Synod fails to pay one-third of the apportionment for contingent purposes during the first year after the meeting of General Synod and annually thereafter, the Treasurer is instructed to borrow the money and charge the interest to the Synod or Synods that may be in arrears.

Resolved, (2) That the General Synod directs all persons who represent it on Boards, on Commissions or as delegates to have proper regard for expenses which they incur in performances of their duties.

Resolved, (3) That all bills and accounts be sent to the Stated Clerk to be certified by him and forwarded to the Treasurer for prompt payment.

The apportionments are in accordance with the following resolution: "General Synod urgently requests every Synod, Classis and congregation to accept and pay annually the following amounts per communicant member: 80 cents for Home Missions; 80 cents for Foreign Missions; 10 cents for Ministerial Relief; and further, to regard these amounts as a minimum and that each congregation shall endeavor to realize the standard—'As much for others as for ourselves.'"

In addition to these amounts 4 cents per member for the Contingent Expenses of General Synod for the triennium, is referred to the Synods as per *Item 3* of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

H. I. CROW,
E. M. SANDO, GEO. B. SMITH,
J. N. NALY, FRED HAUPT.

Following the report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Elder E. A. Rice was nominated for the office of Treasurer, the Stated Clerk was instructed to cast the ballot for Synod and he was declared unanimously re-elected.

18. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

The Standing Committee on the State of the Church submitted its report at the third session. The report, with necrology, was received and adopted. It reads as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: When the reports of the different District Synods of the State of the Church were written, the United States was still at peace with all the world. In a number of these reports this was mentioned with profound gratitude.

Now, however, things have changed; we are reminded of the apostolic word: "Redeem the time, for days are evil!" If there ever was a time when the Church ought to pray much, that time is now.

"Betet dass die böse Zeit
Wohl vorüber gehe;
Dass man Christi Herrlichkeit
Offenbaret sehe!"

This is the time to pray for our sons who may have to shoulder the gun; for the fathers and mothers, whose hearts are bleeding; for our beloved country, that the fundamental principles laid down by our God-fearing forefathers may be preserved. In these "evil days" we will do well to remember the words of our great Prince of Peace: "These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

Since the last meeting of General Synod a new District Synod has come into existence. The new Synod of the Southwest was duly organized in the Salem Reformed Church of Louisville, Ky., on the 8th of October, 1914. The first meeting was an inspiring and enthusiastic one; prominent representatives of different parts of the Reformed Church were present. The new Synod took up

its work not like a new born child, but rather like one mature in years and experience. The organization was effected in full harmony with the mother Synod. Warm congratulations were sent by the neighboring Synods—that of the Northwest, the Central and the Ohio Synod. The watchwords of the new Synod seem to be: “*Energetic and Progressive.*”

The reports referred to your Committee in general breathe an optimistic spirit. The development of the Kingdom is not in a straight line ahead, but rather in a curved line. The report of the Eastern Synod for 1914, for instance, has a deep minor note of discouragement, because out of 69,000 unconfirmed members only 5602 were confirmed and in the same year 2437 names were erased from the membership list and they had only one student for the ministry for every 1400 members, yet the next year a remarkable increase was reported; 5000 more communed than in any year during the last decade; 6500 more were confirmed—a number much larger than usual; the number of Sunday-school members increased by 9000; the number of students for the ministry also increased; there was an increase in benevolence to the amount of \$77,034.00; over one million was contributed for Church purposes.

In like manner the Ohio Synod reports encouraging progress for two years and a “growth backwards” for the third.

Taking all the reports we come to the conclusion that the growth of the Church is not what it ought to be. We have many reasons to deeply humiliate ourselves before God. The Church has the profound consciousness that neither God nor His Word are to blame for these conditions, but rather the Church, her ministers, her officers and her members. In some way we are not conserving our forces as much as we should and could.

Nearly all the reports lament that so large a number of our Church membership stay away from the Lord's table; in most of the Synods this number amounts to about one-fourth of the membership.

There is hardly anything said about the prayer-meeting and the family altar. It is to be feared that the family altar has largely disappeared. It is further noted with profound regret, that we have so many vacant charges; there are not near enough candidates for the ministry. Our Mission Boards complain that a lack of available missionaries handicaps them very much. The spirit of materialism seems to be on the increase; the high cost of an education prevents quite a few from entering the Gospel ministry. Besides this many congregations have not given an adequate remuneration to their ministers. The reports indicate an improvement along this line.

Our Boards of Ministerial Relief are doing all they can to awaken the Church to a deeper consciousness of her obligation to the needy ministers, who have given the best of their years and life to the

service of the Gospel, often without a living salary. We hope for better days!

There has been a noted increase in the liberality of the Church. The Missionary and Stewardship Committee deserves a great deal of credit for the improvement in this direction. Our Foreign Board reports the remarkable increase of \$161,000.00 for the last triennium; over \$500,000.00 were contributed. This is not what we ought to do, but it is very encouraging. Quite a large part of this money was raised by the personal appeal of returned missionaries. There is also an increase in the receipts of the Home Mission Boards. The growth of the "Church-Building Funds" has been remarkable. The Board of the three German Synods in the middle West has now over \$100,000.00 in its Fund.

The different Home Mission Boards held an important conference soon after the last meeting of the General Synod at Tiffin, Ohio. A warm brotherly spirit prevailed. These Boards came to a better understanding and a higher appreciation of each other's work; the German Synod of the East resolved to place its home missions under the care and supervision of General Synod's Board, which has proven very satisfactory.

The Sunday-school work of the Church has taken rapid strides forward. The membership has largely increased; greater efficiency has been developed among the teachers and officers, thanks to the tireless labors of the General Secretary and his co-workers. The Publication and Sunday-school Board has been tireless in meeting its obligations. The 400th anniversary of the great Reformation is being generally observed. The present year is certainly a notable one in our history. In connection with this celebration an extensive Sunday-school Increase Campaign has been inaugurated, which has done much to stimulate this work. A fund of \$100,000.00 was to be raised. Your Committee has not been advised at this time how far this objective has been attained.

The Orphan cause has also received due attention. The Fort Wayne Orphan Home Board has begun the erection of a \$25,000.00 building; this is the fourth time since the institution began in 1883, that a large building has been erected.

Our Literary and Theological Institutions have all made progress. A new Dormitory was erected for the Theological Seminary at Lancaster. Ursinus, Catawba and Heidelberg all are reaching out higher. Large sums have been gathered or are being gathered. Heidelberg University is making a heroic effort to seize half a million dollars. A new building is in the course of erection at the Mission House, after the troublesome question of a re-location has been finally settled. The new building is to cost in the neighborhood of \$80,000.00. A new academy has been started at Scottland, South Dakota. A new Seminary building has been completed for the Central Theological Seminary.

The missionary spirit is surely growing among us. The Woman's Missionary Societies have become a potent factor among us. The

German-English Synods have developed along this line as never before. Missionary Conferences have been held in the East and the West. More knowledge of this work will stimulate larger liberality.

Finally it behooves us to remember gratefully our brethren in the ministry who have been translated from the Church militant to the triumphant. The records before us give the names of 64—a large number. Some of them were far advanced in years, some still in the bloom of manhood; some stood very high in the councils of the Church; some were but little known. The Lord knoweth them all. We shall not give the names here, except one or two. There was Valentine Hay, not a minister but a layman, he was one of the most liberal supporters of his Alma Mater—Old Heidelberg. His name will not be forgotten by the managers of the Institution for many, many years to come!

Another name very dear to the Church is that of Prof. Dr. Frederick Augustus Gast, an honored teacher of our Theological Seminary at Lancaster. He has done a good service to the Church, which is gratefully acknowledged here.

It would hardly be fair not to mention the honored name of the late President of the General Synod. General Synod honored itself when it bestowed upon John Summers Stahr, D. D., LL. D., the distinguished honor of calling him to the presidency of this body. Those who were delegates to the General Synod at Lancaster, Pa., will remember how fair, impartial and just he was in his decisions. He seemed to be somewhat enfeebled at that time and this office surely taxed his strength to the utmost. He has gone to the better world. Will we not the more faithfully do the work of the Lord, realizing that the night is coming, when no man can work!

Respectfully submitted,

C. F. KRIETE,

M. LOUCKS,

H. W. HOUSEKEEPER,

R. S. SNYDER,

JOHN ADAMS.

NECROLOGY

“From earth’s wide bounds, from ocean’s farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl, streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia!”

As a supplement to the preceding report on the State of the Church, the names of the following ministers, sixty-four in number, are here recorded who, during the last triennium, after a season of toil, have fallen asleep in Jesus.

J. RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

NAME	RESIDENCE	LICENSED	ORDAINED	TIME OF DEATH	AGE		
					y.	m.	d.
Adair, Emmet M., Ph.D.	Tiffin, Ohio.....	1908	.....	July 22, 1915	51	5	14
Arai, Shohei.....	Tokyo, Japan.....			June 22, 1916	37	2	18
Barber, Joseph Wilson.....	Lindsey, Ohio.....	1876	1876	July 9, 1914	71	1	0
Bates, Benoni.....	Norristown, Pa.....	1896	1896	May 6, 1917	.....	.....	.....
Black, Albert A.....	Alexandria, Pa.....			May 9, 1917	.....	.....	.....
Berger, Isaiah H.....	Ohio Synod.....				.....	.....	.....
Binkley, Henry K.....	Reading, Pa.....	1884	1884	Sept. 13, 1914	66	6	9
Bollinger, Abraham.....	Cosby, Iowa.....	1868	1868	May 28, 1914	69	5	4
Bower, Thomas J.....	Frackville, Pa.....	1890	1890	Aug. 20, 1914	65	2	12
Cook, Herman H.....	Yamagata, Japan.....	1902	.....	Apr. 7, 1916	37	7	8
Derr, Tilghman.....	Lancaster, Pa.....	1870	1870	Apr. 17, 1915	72	1	8
Ewing, Chas. Edwin.....	Conesville, Iowa.....	1895	1895	Apr. 3, 1916	52	2	15
Gantenbein, John, D.D.	Portland, Ore.....			1852 May 24, 1916	91	5	14
Gast, Frederick Augustus	Lancaster, Pa.....			1859 Feb. 11, 1917	81	3	24
Gekeler, Alvin Geo.....	Ada, Ohio.....			1881 Mar. 26, 1916	57	0	6
Gruenstein, Elias E., D.D.	Wimbleton, N.D.....			1876 Aug. 16, 1914	66	3	11
Heckman, John.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.....			1867 Dec. 12, 1915	79	0	15
Heinze, Moritz.....	Buffalo, N. Y.....			Apt. 21, 1916	72	3	16
Herbst, Cosmos H.....	West Hazleton, Pa.....	1881	.....	Jan. 2, 1915	62	3	4
Herman, Henry M., D.D.	Dayton, Ohio.....	1862	1862	Mar. 10, 1915	80	11	20
Huber, Simon M. K.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	1864	.....	May 1, 1916	77	6	6
Kerschner, Jacob B., D.D.	Jersey City, N. J.....	1875	1875	Dec. 25, 1914	68	4	24
Kluge, Paul Gideon.....	St. Paul, Minn.....			Nov. 29, 1914	38	9	12
Koesling, Paul.....	Alberta, Canada.....			1904 Jan. 7, 1915	48	6	8
Koplin, Abraham B.....	Helletown, Pa.....			1856 Mar. 4, 1917	81	7	27
Kuchermann, F. H. W.....	New Knoxville, O.....	1852	1852	Mar. 9, 1915	94	1	12
Kunkle, Israel U. E.....	Sharpsville, Pa.....	1894	1894	Jan. 29, 1917	54	0	24
Kurtz, J. C. J.....	Jacksonville, Fla.....			Mar. 26, 1915	75	.....	.....
Land, Thos. S., D.D.	Manchester, Md.....	1879	1879	June 8, 1916	62	4	.....
Lefever, David P.....	Reading, Pa.....	1874	.....	Apr. 26, 1916	79	3	21
Leich, Fred P., D.D.	Jackson, Wis.....			1870 Aug. 19, 1915	75	10	14
Lober, Christian.....	Crestline, Ohio.....			July 14, 1916	80	9	8
Mackley, John F.....	Fairfield, Pa.....	1886	1886	Sept. 16, 1914	59	.....	.....
Meckel, Sebastian C.....	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....			1856 Mar. 13, 1916	90	1	9
Mertz, John Allen.....	Durham, Pa.....			1887 July 9, 1916	60	1	13
Metzger, Blocadus S.....	Boundary, Ind.....	1877	.....	Jan. 1, 1914	.....	.....	.....
Millhouse, Willoughby H.	Allentown, Pa.....	1899	.....	May 27, 1916	48	6	14
Muehlmeier, Otto.....	Plymouth, Wis.....			1886 Jan. 3, 1915	50	11	15
Noll, Aaron.....	Scranton, Pa.....	1888	1888	July 8, 1914	53	3	1
Ochsner, J. C.....	Y'ng America, Ida.....			June 29, 1915	74	2	13
Prugh, John H., D.D.	Pittsburgh, Pa.....			Dec. 22, 1915	61	1	29
Roeck, John.....	Kiel, Wis.....			1873 May 10, 1915	71	6	2
Roth, George W.....	Boyetown, Pa.....	1876	1876	Mar. 3, 1915	72	.....	.....
Ruhl, Philip.....	Ft. Wayne, Ind.....			1871 June 21, 1915	69	1	14
Schaeffer, Solomon B.....	Holidaysburg, Pa.....	1874	.....	Feb. 5, 1916	70	10	21
Scheel, Caspar.....	Zelenople, Pa.....			May 14, 1915	84	8	20
Schneider, Calvin H.....	Franklin, Wis.....			1891 Oct. 24, 1914	49	9	19
Schneck, Abraham.....	Newton, Iowa.....	1870	.....	Nov. 19, 1913	70	8	27
Schoedler, Daniel E., D.D.	Allentown, Pa.....	1865	1868	June 22, 1915	75	4	16
Schreffler, John H.....	Colon, Mich.....			July 25, 1916	66	7	25
Schontz, Jonas B.....	Chambersb'g, Pa.....	1871	1871	Nov. 15, 1914	77	6	2
Shultz, Emanuel.....	Columbus, Ohio.....			1867 Apr. 15, 1916	76	0	13
Shumaker, Jos. B., D.D.	Bellevue, Ohio.....			1867 May 30, 1915	76	10	10
Stahr, John Summers, Ph.D., D.D., LL.D.....	Lancaster, Pa.....	1869	1872	Dec. 21, 1915	74	0	19
Stone, John Edward.....	Roaring Sprgs., Pa.....	1903	.....	May 20, 1916	40	10	7
Stonesifer, Jas. B.....	Ft. Loudon, Pa.....	1889	1889	Nov. 15, 1916	57	10	1
Strunk, Oliver H.....	Schuy'l Hav'n, Pa.....	1880	1880	July 3, 1914	66	7	25
Wagoner, Johnson J.....	Marshallville, O.....			1875 Sept. 22, 1916	64	6	9
Wentz, Edward.....	Plymouth, Wis.....			Sept. 4, 1915	50	3	12
Wernly, John.....	Wilsonville, Ore.....			1871 Mar. 25, 1916	70	10	28
Wiant, Jacob F.....	Greenville, Pa.....	1869	1869	Feb. 21, 1916	76	2	4
Wickert, Jairus A.....	Leacock, Pa.....	1883	1883	Sept. 3, 1915	62	10	2
Wittenwyler, W. W.....	Hillsboro, Ore.....	1869	.....	Sept. 23, 1913	80	9	13
Zieber, William K., D.D.	Hanover, Pa.....			1850 July 12, 1916	90	9	17

19. REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS AND CHANGES

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The following documents were referred to your Special Committee:

1. An overture from the Rev. J. Theodore Bucher pertaining to the ordination of licentiates serving in institutions of learning.

2. An overture from Virginia Classis amending Article 71 of the Constitution.

3. An overture from Tiffin Classis to consider the desirability of reconstituting the Classes and Synods in the Reformed Church so that no two Classes or Synods shall occupy the same territory.

4. An overture from Tiffin Classis pertaining to the election of women to the consistories of congregations.

5. An overture from West New York Classis asking for an amendment of the Constitution so as to require the payment of the moving expenses of the pastor by the charge calling him to its pastorate.

6. An overture from Philadelphia Classis to amend Article 23 of the Constitution.

7. An overture from Eastern Synod to initiate such amendment to the Constitution as will define the status of a minister while he is engaged in a secular calling.

8. An overture from Philadelphia Classis pertaining to the Church membership of a minister.

9. An overture from Philadelphia Classis to change Article 98 of the Constitution.

Your Committee respectfully submits the following recommendations:

1. The overture of Rev. J. Theodore Bucher calls for an amendment of Article 37 of the Constitution. In the judgment of your Committee, favorable action would doubtless open the way to larger service for some most excellent men. But the proposed amendment would also carry with it two vital consequences. It would lower the ideal status of a Christian minister, by admitting to the office men who, confessedly, are not prepared to exercise the functions of the ministry as defined in Article 16; and it would also weaken, if not destroy, the sound Reformed theory of the Christian Ministry, in admitting to ordination men who have not been called by congregations. Therefore, we recommend that the request to amend Article 37 of the Constitution be denied.

2. In the judgment of your Committee the request of the Virginia Classis should be granted. Under the Constitution a student for the ministry is prevented from accepting a call to a vacant pastoral charge before his graduation. The strict observance of the letter of the law of the Church, as laid down in Article 71 of the Constitution, would compel a licensed student to remain idle,

and charges to remain vacant, for varying periods of time. This difficulty has led to certain practices which break the letter of this law without violating its spirit.

Your Committee believes that constitutional provision should be made to enable licensed students to engage in their vocation without needless loss of time. We recommend, therefore, that Article 71 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church be amended to read as follows:

Since only ministers and licentiates are eligible to the pastoral office, a congregation or charge shall not nominate or elect a student for the ministry as its pastor, until the latter half of the Senior year of his theological course, when a charge may tender, and a student accept, a call, which, however, shall not be confirmed by a Classis, nor become effective, until after his licensure.

3. Article 52 of the Constitution provides that Classes and Synods which prevailingly use the same language in public worship shall not be organized within the same territory, and it also provides that the territory of German and English Classes, and of Classes of other languages may overlap or coincide. It is inadvisable to alter this law so long as our Church remains bilingual. Therefore, we recommend that the request of Tiffin Classis be denied.

4. Your Committee is convinced that the time is not yet ripe for making the radical change contemplated in the overture from Tiffin Classis. Therefore, we recommend that General Synod respectfully decline to change the Constitution so as to permit the election of women to the consistory of a congregation.

5. In the judgment of your Committee the regulation of the moving expenses of a pastor does not fall within the scope of a Constitution which deals with fundamental principles of law rather than with particular precepts. Therefore, we recommend that the overture of West New York Classis be denied.

6. We recommend that in accordance with the overture of Philadelphia Classis, General Synod initiate an amendment of Article 23 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church, by adding the following paragraph to said article: When any minister shall resign his charge by reason of age or incapacity for further labor, and the congregation shall be moved by affectionate regard for his person and gratitude for his ministry among them, to desire that he should continue to be associated with them in an honorary relation, they may at a regularly called meeting elect him as pastor emeritus, with or without salary, but with no pastoral authority or duty. This action shall be subject to the approval of Classis, and shall take effect upon the formal dissolution of the pastoral relation."

7. We recommend that a special committee be appointed to define the status of a minister while he is engaged in a secular calling, and that this Committee report at the next meeting of General Synod. For Committee see page 16.

8. We recommend that the overture from Philadelphia Classis, pertaining to the Church membership of a minister be referred to the special committee appointed under *Item 8*.

9. We recommend that General Synod decline to change Article 98 of the Constitution.

THEODORE F. HERMAN,
WALTER W. ROWE, WEBSTER GRIMM,
ADOLPH KRAMPE, H. F. TEXTER.

The items of this report were severally adopted and the report was finally adopted as a whole.

20. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CERTAIN BOOKS PRESENTED TO SYNOD

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee appointed to review the volumes entitled "Local Church Efficiency," a study by four commissions under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Reformed Church in the United States, "The Reformation, a Liberating Force" by the Reverend Philip Vollmer, Ph. D., D. D., Professor in the Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, and "The Faith of Browning," by the Reverend Edward A. G. Herman, begs leave to submit the following report:

Your Committee carefully reviewed the three volumes referred to it for consideration. In "The Faith of Browning" by the Rev. E. A. G. Herman, the author in numerous references to the writings of the great English poet, points out how "amid the storms that raged about his intellectual life he always felt secure because Hope was his anchor, and he came into port grandly because God had been the Captain of his soul."

In "The Reformation a Liberating Force" and its message to modern America by the Rev. Dr. Philip Vollmer, the author furnishes a very timely volume to students and adds a helpful contribution to the literature occasioned and inspired by the quarto-centennial celebration of the Reformation. The author, in his preface, disclaims to have written a history of the Reformation and states concisely the nature of the subject matter by saying that it is rather "an attempt to analyze with some care the theories, causes, principles, types, results and prospects of the great movement, and to apply its principles to conditions in modern America."

Certain facts are deduced by the author as explaining the genius and direction of the Reformation, among which are the unquenchable passion for liberty and the resultant American civilization as expressive of the very essence of this great movement.

In the book entitled "Local Church Efficiency," the report of the commissions working under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Reformed Church in the United

States, we have a volume which needs more detailed reference. As indicated, it is the work of four commissions consisting of sixteen ministers and nine laymen of the Reformed Church, with Rev. Dr. E. S. Bromer, Greensburg, Pa., as General Chairman.

The purpose of "Local Church Efficiency," as presented in the "Foreword" to the volume, is that the local Church may become "more efficient for service in building up our Master's Kingdom."

The work of the commissions is introduced by a statement of the function and purpose of the local Church, efficiency principles and the Church, and Reformed congregational types.

The work of the first commission is based on Organization. Here we have presented in order the congregation within itself, the consistory and other organizations, the Rural Church, Church Records and Publicity; the congregation in relation to higher bodies and in relation to inter-denominational organizations and movements.

The second commission presented the subject of Spiritual Efficiency. This section is introduced by the subject of Prayer. Then follow Worship, Evangelism, Home and Foreign Missions, Pastoral Oversight, Social Fellowship, and Social Service, including a splendid program of work on this subject.

The third commission worked out the very timely and practical subject of Coördination and Unification of the Activities of the Local Church. These activities are first analyzed in relation to the membership, the community, the denominational and inter-denominational organizations; then they are synthesized in respect to the problem of coördination and the solution of this problem, in which is presented, in a very practical and suggestive manner, a unified program for the Local Church, including suggested programs of worship and services throughout the Church year, religious education, evangelism, missions and stewardship, community service, pastoral oversight, and social fellowship.

The work of the last commission is based on the subject of Training for Leadership. This is worked out with reference to the world-purpose of God and leadership in the world-purpose of the Kingdom. Leadership is to be attained through study, by the use of congregational institutes, various auxiliary organizations and by the use of Christian literature. In practice, Leadership is to be accomplished through pastoral visitation, the Sunday-school, Young People's Societies, Brotherhoods, Junior Congregations, and other organizations.

It is impossible in this brief way to do justice to this splendid volume in which is presented the "Local Church in its essential functions and efficient practice, basing the consideration of the problem of Church efficiency on the actual experience and work of the local churches of our denomination and seeking to link it up with our denominational task."

The volume is one of primary importance to all pastors, consistories and members of the local churches. The study of this work must result in greatly increased efficiency in our churches.

Your Committee offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, (1) That this Synod gratefully accepts a copy of "Local Church Efficiency," of "The Reformation a Liberating Force," and of "The Faith of Browning," and directs the Stated Clerk to place these volumes in the archives of the General Synod.

Resolved, (2) That this Synod commends the volume entitled "The Reformation a Liberating Force," by Rev. Philip Vollmer, Ph. D., D. D., Professor in the Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, as most timely and hereby recommends it to all our judicatories and people.

Resolved, (3) That this Synod commends the volume on "Local Church Efficiency" and heartily recommends it to the attention of all our Synods, Classes, Consistories, and members for circulation and study.

Resolved, (4) That this Synod hereby indicates its appreciation of the labor of the different commissions and the generosity of the men who have made possible this very helpful volume.

Resolved, (5) That, in view of the publication of the volume on "Local Church Efficiency," another indication of the splendid interest and helpful spirit shown by the Laymen's Missionary Movement of our Church, General Synod, through the Synods and Classes, again commends the Movement to the hearty support of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN M. SANDO,
H. J. ROHRBAUGH, F. E. AMMERMAN.

The foregoing report was presented at the sixth session and adopted as a whole.

21. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The following report was presented at the session and adopted:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Credentials offers the following report:

In view of the fact that Synod's new method of dealing with the credentials of delegates through the office of an Enrollment Clerk in making up the Roll of Synod, seems to have met this question in a very efficient way, no credentials of delegates were referred to this Committee for recommendation to this General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. WHITMORE,
C. A. SÁNTEE, C. BUSS,
G. F. ZINN, J. O. MOOSE.

22. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

This report was read at the sixth session and adopted as a whole. It is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee to prepare resolutions of thanks would suggest the following:

We would herewith record our devout gratitude to Almighty God for His mercy and guidance over another triennium and during the sessions of this General Synod: It is interesting to note that after 21 years the General Synod should return to the city of Dayton with its beautiful homes and surroundings.

We appreciate the kindness and courtesy shown during our stay. Our thanks are herewith tendered:

I. To the pastor and people of the First Reformed Church and to the pastors and people of the other Reformed Churches of the city for their efforts in behalf of Synod's comfort.

II. To the Y. M. C. A. for the use of the auditorium and to the First Presbyterian Church for use of their building.

III. To the President of the National Cash Register Company for his courtesy to Synod.

IV. To the Underwood Typewriter Company for the free use of typewriters and operators.

V. To the young ladies of the First Reformed Church for the post-office facilities.

VI. To the newspapers of Dayton, and reporters of the same for their articles and news items.

VII. To all, who by their services, have made the evening services and morning devotions helpful.

VIII. To Peter Quaartel for his part in the music at the several services.

IX. To the Roll Clerks for their reports of delegates, thereby saving the time of Synod.

X. To the Faculty of the Theological Seminary for the reception and pleasant hour spent as their guests.

XI. To the Rev. Charles E. Miller, D. D., for the patient and dignified manner in which the business of the Synod was conducted.

Resolved, That \$100.00 be paid to the congregation of the First Reformed Church for the use of the Church and for expenses incurred for the benefit of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. CHARLES A. SANTEE,
REV. L. A. SIGRIST, J. W. PEELER.

23. MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS AND REPORTS

The following miscellaneous reports and resolutions were presented to General Synod in the course of its sessions and appropriate action taken as noted.

REPORTS OF FRATERNAL DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES

Reports were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches. Dr. J. Harvey Mickley reported his inability to attend the sessions of the judicatory of the *Reformed Episcopal Church*; Dr. Henry H. Ranck and Dr. John B. Rust reported as follows:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: As your fraternal delegate to the *General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church*, I report that I visited and addressed that Body in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 25th of last month. They are an efficient and aggressive church excelling all other denominations in per capita giving to missions. It was an inspiration to be among them. I was most cordially received and they send on to you greetings and well wishes. They bid us God-speed in our work as we labor with them for the glory of Christ and the extension of His kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. RANCK.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: In response to the written request of the Primarius, accompanied by my credentials as secundus, from the Clerk of General Synod, I went to Akron, Ohio, from Tiffin as your delegate to the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church which met in Akron at the close of May and the beginning of June, 1915. I attended a number of the sessions of the said General Synod. On June 1, in the afternoon, I was accorded the privilege of addressing the Synod as the bearer of fraternal greetings from the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States. I was given a very cordial reception and will never forget the great kindness which was shown me by a number of the officers and other members of the Synod. The sessions were held in Trinity Lutheran Church, one of the most beautiful edifices of its kind in that city. It is built in cathedral form. It is dignified and massive in style, and impressive, sombre and awe-inspiring in its effect.

Several important and spirited discussions growing out of resolutions offered by a special standing committee, and of great interest to everyone present, took place upon the floor of the General Synod. One of the discussions related to a resolution introduced and an

effort made by a group of conservative pastors to eliminate the expression from the Apostles' Creed concerning the Church as adopted by that Synod quite a number of years ago, namely: "I believe in the Holy Christian Church," and to restore the older usage, formerly followed, and preserved by the Reformed Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a number of other Protestant bodies, that is to say: "I believe in the Holy Catholic Church." The proposal developed strong opposition and was finally lost. Both ministers and lay delegates contended that in the ordinary walks of life and in the Protestant churches people for the most part do not interpret the word "catholic" in a purely evangelical sense. They are on the contrary involuntarily led hereby to form a false impression and to draw wrong conclusions. In the wording of the Apostles' Creed in the German language that difficulty does not appear in connection with the article concerning the Church, namely: "Ich glaube an eine heilige, allgemeine, Christliche Kirche." It would therefore be perfectly logical and legitimate to say also in English: "I believe in the holy, universal, Christian Church."

Another discussion was called forth by a strong effort made chiefly by progressive and liberal laymen in the Synod to enter into still closer association as a Church with other leading Protestant denominations in the field of inter-denominational Sunday-school and missionary activity. The exponents of this movement in the Synod asked for larger freedom and less bias especially in the preparation of the Sunday-school literature.

The President of the Evangelical Lutheran General Synod, as a rejoinder to the message of your secundus, in words fitly chosen, with warmth of heart, and in a truly Christian spirit, as a son of Lutheran-Reformed parentage, extended the greeting of his General Synod to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Fraternally submitted:

JOHN B. RUST.

For the action on these reports and the special resolution on Discontinuing the Custom of Sending Fraternal Delegates see the Report of the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches, p. 94; and the Standing Committee on Nominations, p. 287.

SPECIAL ADDRESSES

The REV. DR. CHARLES S. MACFARLAND, General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America was present at the session on Tuesday and addressed Synod on the specific work of the Council and the most effective methods of coöperation preceding the consideration of the report of the Standing Committee on Correspondence with Sister Churches.

In the absence of Dr. Fox of the American Bible Society, who telegraphed to Synod his inability to be present to report on the work of that organization the floor was granted to MR. WERPUP to present its claims and the following resolution subsequently adopted:

Resolved, That General Synod congratulates the Bible Society on the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary and heartily recommends the work of the Society in supplying the Scripture to the soldiers and sailors, to the prayers and benevolence of our churches.

THE REV. DR. PARLEY ZARTMAN addressed the Synod on Monday afternoon on the work and purposes of the Interdenominational Association of Evangelists.

GREETINGS FROM AND TO OTHER SUPREME JUDICATORIES

Telegrams were received from the Northern Baptist Convention and from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Northern Baptist Convention now meeting in Cleveland, sends affectionate salutation to your gathering. In this world crisis we join hands and hearts with you in a common cause. May your convention be divinely guided and blessed. Read Ps. 24: 5.

CLARENCE E. BARBOUR, *President*.

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in session at Dallas, Texas, today responds fraternally to your cordial greetings and will be glad to coöperate with you in promoting Christian unity.

J. WILBUR CHAPMAN, *Moderator*.

WM. H. ROBERTS, *Stated Clerk*.

By special action of the General Synod at various times the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Henry I. Stahr, was authorized to send telegrams of greeting from General Synod to (1) the Northern Baptist Convention, (2) the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; (3) the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian Church in session at Birmingham, Alabama, and (4) the General Conference of the United Brethren in Christ in session at Wichita, Kansas. The message sent in response to the telegram from the Northern Baptist Convention was as follows:

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, now assembled in Triennial Sessions in Dayton, Ohio, reciprocates

your cordial greetings and rejoices in the fellowship of all who believe. Read John 17: 20, 21.

CHARLES E. MILLER, *President*,
J. RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

To the other judicatories the following message was dispatched:

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, now in Triennial Sessions assembled in Dayton, Ohio, sends cordial greetings to your reverend body. We join hands and hearts with your in our common task. Read John 17: 20, 21.

CHARLES E. MILLER, *President*,
J. RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

INVITATIONS, ETC.

An invitation from Dr. H. J. Christman to visit the Central Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church on Saturday from 3 to 5 P. M. was accepted by a rising vote of the Synod. At the appointed time Synod was graciously received by the Professors of the Theological Seminary and their wives and after viewing the buildings invited to the Refectory and served with delicious refreshments.

The Rev. Dr. Hale, in behalf of the president of the National Cash Register Co., brought greetings and extended an invitation to Synod to visit the Company's plant at a time convenient to the Synod. The invitation was accepted and Monday, 3.00 P. M. selected as a seasonable time. Synod was both pleased and edified by the presentation of the business methods and the social service spirit which characterizes this well known industrial plant.

RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS, ETC.

On the subject of the *Anniversary of the Reformation* the Rev. Dr. James I. Good offered the following resolution which was adopted and the committees as found in the list of Special Committees on page 16 were accordingly appointed.

Resolved, That this General Synod proposes the holding of Union Reformation Services with the Reformed Church in America at Philadelphia, New York, Akron and Grand Rapids and appoints committees to make arrangements for these meetings.

On Monday evening the action adopting the report of the Standing Committee on Nominations was reconsidered and the Committee was instructed to change the item of *Nominations* for the *Home Mission Board* so as to give

representation to the three German Synods, following which the Report was adopted as a whole.

Revs. A. M. Gluck and Dr. I. W. Hendricks having, received an equal number of votes for membership on the *Board of Foreign Missions*, by special motion Rev. Gluck was permitted to withdraw in favor of Dr. Hendricks, the Stated Clerk was authorized to cast the ballot of Synod in favor of his election, and Dr. Hendricks was accordingly declared elected.

24. REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESS

The following report was present at the sixth session and adopted:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Press Committee would report that we have furnished items of interest to the local papers and that several members of the Committee are furnishing full reports of Synod to our Church papers.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. B. ALSPACH,
SIMON SIPPLE, A. ESTERLY,
MELVIN E. BECK, FRED B. GERBER.

25. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

This report was presented and adopted at the sixth session previous to adjournment. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend General Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Leave of Absence offers the following report: for what seemed good and sufficient reasons the following delegates were excused from some sessions of Synod. The Committee requests the Synod to adopt its report and call the attention of the respective Classes to this list.

<i>Synod</i>	<i>Classis</i>	<i>Names</i>	<i>Sessions</i>
Eastern.....	Tohickon.....	Elder F. Irvin Moyer.....	6th on.
	Tohickon.....	Rev. J. J. Rothrock.....	6th on.
	Lancaster.....	Elder John Hertzler.....	6th on.
	Lancaster.....	Elder H. C. Meyers, M. D....	5th on.
	E. Susquehanna...	Rev. C. P. Wehr.....	5th on.
	E. Susquehanna...	Elder D. Keen.....	5th on.
	Tohickon.....	Elder Webster Grim.....	4th on.
	Wyoming.....	Elder A. Oswald.....	5th on.
	E. Susquehanna...	Elder F. E. Ammermann....	6th on.
	Reading.....	Elder Morris J. Ulrich.....	6th on.
	Reading.....	Elder Wm. A. Levan.....	6th on.
	Reading.....	Elder Peter M. Leinbach....	6th on.
	W. Susquehanna...	Rev. W. C. Rittenhouse.....	6th on.

	Philadelphia.....	Elder W. L. Hunsberger.....	6th on.
	W. Susquehanna...	Elder C. W. Oldt.....	6th on.
	Lancaster.....	Rev. J. H. Pannebecker.....	6th on.
	Goshenhoppen....	Elder Jos. M. Groff.....	6th on.
	Philadelphia.....	Elder S. S. Jones.....	6th on.
	Lehigh.....	Elder E. W. Smith.....	6th on.
	Lancaster.....	Elder G. W. Hartman, M. D.....	6th on.
	East Penna.....	Elder E. E. Creitz.....	6th on.
	East Penna.....	Elder H. R. Rinker.....	6th on.
Ohio.....	Tiffin.....	Elder E. H. Good.....	5th on.
	E. Ohio.....	Rev. John C. Gekeler.....	5th on.
	E. Ohio.....	Elder A. T. Henning.....	5th on.
	St. Joseph.....	Rev. C. A. Albright.....	6th on.
	Tuscarawas.....	Elder J. A. Swinehart.....	4th on.
	Lancaster.....	Elder H. W. Vogt.....	6th on.
	Tuscarawas.....	Elder C. Buss.....	6th on.
	Lancaster.....	Elder E. V. Barr.....	6th on.
	Tiffin.....	Elder John S. Kleckner.....	6th on.
Northwest...	Minnesota.....	Rev. A. A. Depping.....	5th on.
	Sheboygan.....	Rev. A. C. Plappert.....	6th on.
	N. Dakota.....	Elder Adolph Graf.....	6th on.
	N. Dakota.....	Rev. John M. Bauer.....	6th on.
Pittsburgh...	Clarion.....	Elder G. B. McMurdy.....	7th on.
	Allegheny.....	Elder W. S. Dorman.....	5th on.
	Westmoreland....	Rev. Daniel Gress.....	6th on.
	Somerset.....	Elder A. A. Comp.....	6th on.
	St. Paul's.....	Rev. C. G. Shupe.....	6th on.
	St. Paul's.....	Elder W. A. Graber.....	6th on.
	Somerset.....	Elder W. H. Habel.....	6th on.
	Clarion.....	Rev. R. E. Crum.....	6th on.
	St. Paul's.....	Rev. Charles R. Hartman.....	6th on.
Potomac.....	Maryland.....	Rev. Conrad Clever.....	6th on.
	Mercersburg.....	Elder Samuel K. Clever.....	6th on.
	Juniata.....	Elder Geo. D. Robb.....	5th on.
	Zion.....	Elder D. W. Gerber.....	6th on.
	Maryland.....	Elder Wm. B. Johnson.....	6th on.
	Virginia.....	Rev. W. H. Causey.....	6th on.
	Virginia.....	Elder Henry E. Bailey.....	6th on.
	Juniata.....	Rev. J. Albert Eyler.....	6th on.
	N. Carolina.....	Elder J. O. Moose.....	6th on.
	N. Carolina.....	Elder J. W. Peeler.....	6th on.
	N. Carolina.....	Rev. Hall Barringer.....	6th on.
	Gettysburg.....	Elder Elmer D. Buckey.....	6th on.
	Gettysburg.....	Rev. T. C. Hesson.....	6th on.
	Maryland.....	Elder G. W. Crum.....	6th on.
Ger. of East..	New York.....	Elder Henry Goertz.....	5th on.
	New York.....	Rev. J. M. H. Walenta.....	6th on.
	Ger. Phila.....	Rev. P. H. Dippell, D. D....	4th on.
	Ger. Maryland....	Rev. J. S. Kosower.....	6th on.
Central.....	Heidelberg.....	G. E. Fredericks.....	6th on.
	Cincinnati.....	Elder J. Johnsmann.....	5th on.
	Heidelberg.....	Elder B. Vornholt.....	5th on.
Interior.....	Lincoln.....	Rev. H. L. Krause.....	5th on.
	Illinois.....	Elder John P. Hiester.....	5th on.
	Iowa.....	Rev. D. F. Bommershine.....	6th on.
	Lincoln.....	Elder C. P. Springer.....	6th on.

Southwest... Kentucky..... Elder Edward H. Marcus.... 6th on.
 Indiana..... Elder Edward P. Feutz..... 7th on.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. WHITMORE,
 GEORGE W. STINE,
 C. M. SCHAAF.

ARTICLE X

CHURCH GOVERNMENT

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ARTICLE XI

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES

The following books and catalogues were presented to General Synod to be deposited in the archives:

1. "Local Church Efficiency," a study of four commissions under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.
2. "The Reformation A Liberating Force," by Rev. Philip Vollmer, Ph. D., D. D.
3. "The Faith of Browning," by the Rev. Edward A. G. Herman.
4. "The Apostle of Ryo-U," by the Board of Foreign Missions (English and German editions).
5. "The Opening Sermon and Addresses of the 44th Annual Sessions of the Synod of the Potomac," collected by Rev. Samuel H. Stein, pastor of Trinity First Reformed Church, York, Pa.
6. "The Library of Christian Coöperation" (six volumes), presented by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

ARTICLE XII

NECROLOGY

The report of the Stated Clerk on this subject is found in connection with the report of the Standing Committee on the State of the Church, see page 314.

Following the reading of the report, which was presented in connection with the Devotional Service on Friday morning, and the roll of brethren who entered into rest during the closing triennium, the Rev. Dr. Conrad Clever led the Synod in fervent prayer.

ARTICLE XIII

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE

The Rev. Samuel H. Stein, roll clerk, announced at the opening of each daily session, and at the close of Synod, that a quorum was present as follows:

First session: 120 ministers, 93 elders—56 Classes.

Second session: 116 ministers, 91 elders—58 Classes.

Third session: 130 ministers, 107 elders—58 Classes.

Fourth session: 114 ministers, 89 elders—58 Classes.

Fifth session: 105 ministers, 90 elders—58 Classes.

Sixth session: 105 ministers, 66 elders—58 Classes.

Final Roll Call: 102 ministers, 50 elders—58 Classes.

The minutes were read and approved at the opening of each morning session and at the close of the Synod.

ARTICLE XIV

ADJOURNMENT

General Synod adjourned finally on Tuesday evening, May 22, at 10:10 o'clock, following the reading and adoption of the minutes and the final roll call, with confession of faith through the Apostles' Creed, uniting in the Lord's Prayer, singing the doxology and receiving the Apostolic Benediction from the President. It will meet in twentieth triennial sessions at Reading, Pa., in the Second Reformed Church, at 7:45 P. M., Wednesday, May 19, A. D. 1920

CHARLES E. MILLER, *President*,

JAMES RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy from original minutes.

JAMES RAUCH STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

CONDENSED TRIENNIAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U. S.—Prepared by J. Rauch Stein, Stated Clerk.

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357	5	569	129059	100888	60017	5627	745	5218	2579	2153	2139	1976	875	592	12249	127061	16506	87	\$205306.75	\$ 80234 25		
1914.....	.....	566	134057	103542	61117	5333	1078	6146	2355	2183	2267	2753	2114	840	583	12550	139177	17113	96	282610.83	839421 68
1915.....	.....	574	137596	105741	62478	5557	957	5518	2424	1984	2090	2591	2258	802	601	10973	142900	18461	92	304522.43	877920 44
2. OHIO SYNOD.																						
142	6	224	31789	26530	7102	977	720	1360	912	692	746	1078	397	121	176	3593	35134	4153	30	73883.41	272816 46	
1914.....	.....	224	31789	26530	7102	977	720	1360	912	692	746	1078	397	121	176	3593	35134	4153	30	73883.41	272816 46
1915.....	.....	222	32327	26381	7417	973	733	1169	731	633	716	1103	456	107	212	3684	37057	4028	21	91281.00	299531.00
1916.....	.....	226	32955	26518	7523	895	632	1267	712	723	738	905	456	183	207	2782	25488	22041	20	95576.00	121531.00
3. SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.																						
204	1	276	29545	20604	15976	1065	75	1253	352	708	368	569	339	141	266	1899	16814	2073	50	43726.15	293556 22	
1914.....	.....	220	19146	12591	11130	1220	55	922	272	440	331	31	228	78	209	1161	9150	1131	27	33566.00	163422 00
1915.....	.....	215	19451	13566	10649	1178	62	665	233	454	248	421	233	....	198	1157	9351	....	34	34481.00	169114 00
4. PITTSBURGH SYNOD.																						
105	163	21742	20813	10762	1312	221	1372	615	482	681	466	356	174	151	2111	22535	2523	14	53106.38	193643 12		
1914.....	.....	168	25246	21281	11297	1347	258	1061	478	391	627	751	377	114	163	2311	27450	2099	8	66863.00	178948 00
1915.....	.....	166	25593	21422	10950	1330	236	1139	441	453	573	676	314	140	159	2253	26201	2300	12	60356.00	197122 00
5. POTOMAC SYNOD.																						
189	6	326	49360	39470	21828	1899	602	2026	1007	494	928	488	686	315	305	5515	47005	4986	37	170778.03	319571 69	
1914.....	.....	327	50285	39672	20141	1269	596	2339	956	522	985	702	684	232	293	4715	50811	5638	39	119923.00	285324 00
1915.....	.....	320	51236	40314	19906	1722	455	2080	856	410	937	690	672	235	302	5067	51321	6772	53	99384.00	333446 00
6. GERMAN SYNOD OF EAST.																						
69	59	59	19053	14480	8722	1344	48	887	86	614	129	575	322	125	59	1231	13788	2948	9	13342.97	174260 00	
1914.....	.....	59	18890	14282	8739	1418	35	881	114	619	141	933	361	109	59	1173	14149	3038	9	18297.00	161162 00
1915.....	71	59	19373	14913	8587	1404	50	853	94	700	171	843	359	146	59	1211	14417	3180	13	20776.00	205558 00
7. CENTRAL SYNOD.																						
99	103	21529	16931	10948	957	125	895	196	431	282	527	369	126	91	1631	17400	2411	15	29386.00	159259 00		
1914.....	.....	103	21890	16740	10577	950	133	772	390	483	252	724	325	100	101	1728	19868	2333	19	35883.00	109666 00
1915.....	.....	94	21416	17019	10436	963	120	811	282	310	311	617	341	172	95	1722	21435	2367	13	37057.00	139694 00
8. INTERIOR SYNOD.																						
46	59	4421	3127	1088	140	133	188	138	105	150	129	53	16	50	737	5336	834	2	11589.72	50980 50		
1914.....	.....	59	4599	3493	1401	176	189	221	139	121	83	107	48	23	52	750	5418	1068	7	13714.03	45843 03
1915.....	59	4600	3748	1360	176	189	239	139	117	133	376	42	26	53	750	6112	8	12737.00	48808 93		
1916.....	45	

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SYNODS	Ministers		Licentiates		Congregations		MEMBERS			ADDITIONS				LOSSES				S. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS	
					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll, Etc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry.	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
9. SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST. 1914—Synod Organized October 8th, 1914, at Louisville, Ky.	52	...	64	10864	7381	4683	440	61	333	61	205	87	119	151	34	61	730	9041	1417	19	17949 00	101564 00	
1915.	55	...	64	10814	7776	5111	523	79	391	90	183	118	305	171	40	61	807	9428	1072	16	17469 00	85842 00	
1916.																							
Totals of Nine Synods for 1916.	1244	31	1784	326064	251017	137470	13748	2800	12937	5271	5364	5379	7434	4846	1694	1735	26788	306736	57345	261	8687298. 58	\$2320106. 37	

STATISTICAL SUMMARY (BY CLASSES) OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, 1916-1917

CLASSES

CLASSES	MEMBERS					ADDITIONS				LOSSES				SUNDAY-SCHOOL			CONTRIBUTIONS					
	Ministers	Licentiates	Congregations	Communicants		Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Coll. Inc. and Cradle Coll. Inc.	Members of Young People's Societies	Students for Ministry	For Benevolence	For Congregational Purposes
				Communicants	Unconfirmed																	
Eastern Synod—Rev. James Rauch Stearns, Stated Clerk—Organized at Philadelphia, Pa., 1792.																						
East Penna.	39	1	63	15,339	11,599	8,474	703	35	544	297	263	245	367	271	103	71	1,527	17,540	1,984	11	\$ 22,116.00	\$ 118,922.00
Lebanon.....	25	1	47	12,156	9,350	4,815	413	36	522	115	54	132	37	227	41	51	1,120	11,224	1,076	8	15,670.00	83,469.00
Philadelphia.....	51	36	11,608	9,393	2,780	314	125	431	295	210	210	225	278	152	49	46	989	13,380	2,843	7	54,024.00	145,528.00
Lancaster.....	47	4	52	11,904	8,668	3,254	267	128	299	208	510	221	299	164	88	48	1,011	11,461	2,474	8	26,125.19	85,682.15
E. Susquehanna.....	17	5	9,032	6,898	5,568	558	14	391	121	104	39	143	177	198	139	66	952	10,059	945	11	16,812.55	32,381.08
W. Susquehanna.....	25	1	66	6,464	5,253	2,288	230	20	149	104	39	143	113	109	34	61	994	8,125	1,097	9	13,251.00	37,371.00
Tohickon.....	21	41	10,255	8,224	4,713	376	96	345	134	131	98	137	215	175	56	45	939	9,452	991	10	19,266.00	52,888.00
Goshenhoppen.....	15	28	8,662	6,687	4,367	373	35	268	110	33	98	137	215	175	56	45	939	9,452	991	10	19,266.00	52,888.00
Lehigh.....	44	3	66	22,749	18,500	12,049	975	25	835	289	508	289	508	390	138	98	2,030	23,363	2,392	12	37,635.00	132,932.00
Schuylkill.....	21	38	7,862	6,171	4,686	432	14	379	127	62	180	308	130	42	38	696	9,229	771	2	12,775.00	58,762.00	
Wyoming.....	27	4	7,804	5,636	2,903	352	50	303	117	115	115	145	359	117	53	44	772	8,278	1,175	6	13,724.00	47,516.00
Reading.....	23	28	14,104	10,764	6,861	583	26	419	188	115	115	216	232	232	66	32	1,236	12,552	1,629	5	35,191.00	90,212.00
Total.....	358	13	564	137,939	107,143	62,758	5,576	604	4,885	2,155	1,684	2,085	2,793	2,317	758	625	12,940	142,869	18,598	93	\$ 285,624.71	\$ 947,182.23
Ohio Synod—Rev. Samuel Z. Beaman, Stated Clerk—Organized at New Philadelphia, O., June 14, 1824.																						
Miami.....	35	2	50	7,582	5,784	904	150	139	234	170	92	146	205	112	21	49	924	8,226	801	5	\$ 15,255.00	\$ 60,604.00
Lancaster.....	15	25	2,936	2,368	619	66	28	65	43	22	41	223	269	113	45	36	904	3,245	283	1	8,450.00	19,410.00
Tuscarawas.....	37	1	51	9,023	7,396	2,305	289	123	321	290	195	223	269	113	45	36	904	10,421	1,226	8	32,990.00	74,118.00
Tiffin.....	30	32	5,316	4,407	1,351	20	568	142	134	41	171	128	89	31	32	577	5,230	1,647	4	10,533.00	24,216.00	
Eastern Ohio.....	20	27	3,940	3,313	921	91	33	97	133	54	138	86	64	7	27	392	3,754	287	...	9,442.00	23,464.00	
St. Joseph's.....	18	35	3,157	2,437	622	82	69	98	54	48	69	27	59	9	33	513	3,477	445	...	3,496.00	21,428.00	
Total.....	156	3	220	31,954	25,752	6,752	698	960	960	824	452	788	1,056	486	120	202	3,710	34,353	4,689	18	\$ 80,176.00	\$ 241,240.00
Synod of the Northwest—Rev. J. Schmalz, Stated Clerk—Organized at Fort Wayne, Ind., May 20, 1867.																						
Schuylergan.....	43	44	5,801	4,041	2,889	303	10	252	62	132	66	85	97	16	39	364	2,517	316	14	\$ 8,079.00	\$ 30,009.00	
Milwaukee.....	21	24	2,593	2,233	1,286	136	3	89	14	98	27	41	36	10	23	197	1,893	181	4	4,428.00	27,479.00	
Minnesota.....	15	23	2,126	1,335	1,032	87	4	65	15	46	16	41	27	9	19	149	1,076	75	3	4,074.54	15,371.20	
Nebraska.....	15	23	2,126	1,335	1,032	87	4	65	15	46	16	41	27	9	19	149	1,076	75	3	4,074.54	15,371.20	
Ursinus.....	13	13	1,880	1,374	903	101	...	59	21	60	30	44	15	7	15	92	998	274	1	4,236.00	11,866.00	
Portland.....	13	13	1,880	1,374	903	101	...	59	21	60	30	44	15	7	15	92	998	274	1	4,236.00	11,866.00	
St. Dakota.....	9	25	1,241	870	944	79	...	86	6	33	42	21	5	12	25	64	614	...	...	3,186.30	9,041.85	
Portland-Oregon.....	15	15	958	699	505	63	...	33	25	24	15	29	3	16	104	104	687	104	...	3,235.00	10,729.00	
Manitoba.....	10	18	955	814	922	90	...	61	11	18	24	10	5	7	14	57	503	128	4	1,006.00	14,936.00	
Eureka.....	8	27	1,295	778	797	81	1	51	18	89	30	12	18	4	21	47	462	...	...	1,067.00	7,081.00	
North Dakota.....	6	22	624	289	609	59	...	7	2	27	12	14	18	4	11	17	45	479	...	1,605.00	5,039.00	
Total.....	155	225	19,451	13,079	10,833	1,083	22	749	184	547	286	334	234	82	202	1,218	9,959	1,243	30	\$ 35,996.84	\$ 146,535.05	

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CLASSES	MEMBERS				ADDITIONS			LOSSES				SUNDAY-SCHOOL		CONTRIBUTIONS						
	MEMBERS				ADDITIONS			LOSSES				SUNDAY-SCHOOL		CONTRIBUTIONS						
	Congregations	Communicants	Communed	Uncommuned	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept., and Cradle Roll, Inc.	Members of Young People's Societies	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	For Congregational Purposes
Pittsburgh Synod—Rev. J. Harvey Mckley, D. D., Stated Clerk—Organized at Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 12, 1870.																				
31	40	8,020	6,332	3,659	362	57	300	140	75	174	167	87	61	38	685	8,425	750	3	\$ 7,019.48	\$ 88,462.11
12	33	3,714	3,000	1,771	141	34	125	56	35	79	126	61	11	30	402	3,501	289		27,480.96	20,072.00
13	20	3,579	3,008	1,259	101	32	95	47	38	81	55	47	16	18	290	3,680	203		9,209.00	24,332.00
18	40	4,679	3,706	2,471	209	41	148	69	43	82	99	57	20	38	508	5,057	335		12,206.00	39,161.00
26	1	5,081	4,134	2,197	213	49	217	226	118	86	190	55	16	25	491	5,271	466		15,834.00	63,126.00
27	7	1,043	1,303	419	328	1	69	33	21	11	35	50	10	20	331	351	35		675.00	9,379.00
110	1,105	26,076	21,793	11,786	1,354	214	951	538	312	523	618	368	174	159	2,406	26,268	2,078	11	\$ 72,477.44	\$ 244,529.11
Synod of the Potomac—Rev. Lloyd E. Cohenitz, Stated Clerk—Organized at Frederick, Md., Apr. 18, 1873.																				
23	27	7,911	6,231	3,692	295	26	217	118	63	140	94	104	51	37	796	8,566	1,612	9	\$ 18,519.00	\$ 54,594.00
46	37	12,684	9,752	5,192	448	69	437	169	104	169	104	153	43	60	1,052	11,033	1,280	3	31,224.35	84,724.64
12	24	4,369	3,628	1,973	114	47	125	73	115	66	70	110	13	21	414	5,160	606	4	22,687.00	22,284.00
15	31	2,985	2,421	952	73	77	141	53	30	56	70	43	10	29	373	3,256	188	3	7,610.00	22,393.00
38	58	6,153	4,595	1,802	222	91	308	174	38	135	208	56	14	54	616	7,667	869	11	11,146.00	30,161.00
18	33	7,586	6,613	3,452	270	24	327	132	26	118	63	81	22	33	607	7,558	851	7	19,444.27	33,795.49
14	23	2,439	2,030	814	70	14	71	49	15	33	44	39	5	22	377	3,174	406	1	6,080.00	16,685.00
26	52	7,177	5,853	3,029	236	62	208	303	59	156	220	100	28	49	670	3,915	2,187	5	14,122.00	44,894.00
192	6,325	51,304	41,153	20,036	17,28	410	1,831	1,071	353	922	869	666	186	305	4,905	50,229	6,002	13	\$ 130,832.62	\$ 309,531.13
German Synod of the East—Rev. A. E. Dahlgren, D. D., Stated Clerk—Organized at Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 12, 1875.																				
18	15	3,602	2,621	1,912	417	11	209	23	160	28	221	92	76	14	272	3,482	777	1	\$ 4,252.00	\$ 37,850.00
18	14	3,860	4,092	2,116	115	10	175	17	97	28	140	62	16	13	254	2,449	630	4	4,641.00	52,560.00
26	1	7,836	6,395	3,330	507	11	351	42	253	54	269	183	44	23	505	6,517	1,209	4	7,683.00	60,677.00
9	9	2,441	1,791	1,192	165	6	96	12	75	3	111	41	9	8	159	1,783	306	3	1,866.00	20,088.00
71	61	19,233	11,899	8,550	1,204	38	832	94	585	113	741	378	145	58	1,190	14,241	2,922	12	18,442.00	\$ 169,175.00
Central Synod—Rev. F. Wm. Leach, Stated Clerk—Organized at Galion, Ohio, Nov. 3, 1881.																				
27	21	4,900	3,623	2,185	266	14	169	29	86	43	115	92	34	20	299	2,738	540	2	\$ 6,775.00	\$ 36,378.00
24	26	6,253	4,843	2,309	207	50	206	79	69	97	94	77	36	30	486	5,929	612	11	14,233.00	61,229.00
19	25	7,856	4,651	377	249	73	339	116	127	90	135	97	45	24	48	6,510	602	6	9,728.00	39,947.00
12	12	3,180	2,196	1,412	151	10	80	18	53	28	35	57	14	11	250	3,669	465	2	6,082.00	27,760.00
15	18	3,565	2,233	1,516	112	14	103	22	53	21	86	55	24	15	206	2,432	346	3	3,832.00	11,250.00
97	105	25,844	17,519	10,499	933	161	897	264	438	279	465	378	153	100	1,289	21,278	2,095	24	\$ 40,650.00	\$ 179,564.00
Synod of the Interior—Rev. Thos. F. Stauffer, Stated Clerk—Organized at Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 29, 1887.																				
11	18	825	711	372	43	23	73	36	18	38	31	7	10	13	156	1,278	181	1	\$ 5,769.46	\$ 9,999.61
10	20	1,654	1,286	476	65	37	60	31	27	40	137	14	8	19	271	12,322	33	1	5,729.60	15,209.44

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CLASSES	MEMBERS			ADDITIONS				LOSSES				SUNDAY-SCHOOL			CONTRIBUTIONS							
	Ministers	Licentiates	Congregations	Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dep't. and Cradle Roll, Inc.	Members of Young People's Societies	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	For Congregational Purposes
Kansas.....	13	9	1,172	946	318	56	48	35	56	24	50	28	12	2	6	154	1,520	263	3	\$	7,120.00	\$ 14,123.01
Wichita.....	7	5	423	256	68	6	5	3	3	2	19	16	9	...	5	33	52	73	1		1,304.88	2,667.00
Lincoln.....	5	6	567	481	192	29	17	25	9	6	15	22	9	1	6	85	909	154	...		2,520.00	7,772.00
Total.....	46	58	4,641	3,680	1,426	199	130	196	135	77	162	231	51	21	52	699	16,081	984	6	\$	22,443.34	\$ 49,771.00
Synod of the Southwest—Rev. Lewis C. Redig, Stated Clerk—Organized at Louisville, Ky., Oct. 8, 1914.																						
Zion.....	10	10	2,852	2,180	1,035	80	22	81	29	55	33	42	43	6	11	181	1,915	253	7	\$	7,600.00	\$ 21,819.00
Indiana.....	18	16	3,662	2,219	1,304	111	35	119	22	75	24	34	43	8	15	276	3,485	629	4		6,215.00	37,851.00
Missouri.....	9	11	1,137	815	628	59	7	82	...	12	6	1	20	3	10	102	445	76	1		2,150.00	6,947.00
Chicago.....	9	9	912	816	493	149	5	44	...	23	3	20	38	30	11	167	618	123	1		939.00	13,411.00
Kentucky.....	11	17	2,503	1,845	1,554	127	17	95	10	44	18	71	31	22	14	175	2,292	297	2		3,265.00	19,034.00
Total.....	57	63	11,966	7,875	5,014	526	86	424	64	209	84	178	175	69	61	801	7,785	1,373	15	\$	20,169.00	\$ 99,062.00

*Statisticians of Hungarian Classis are those for 1916.

Statistical Reports—The Synods and Classes for 1917

I. EASTERN SYNOD

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS			ADDITIONS			LOSSES			S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS								
			Communicants	Com-muned	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes		
I. East Pennsylvania Classis—Rev. A. P. FRANTZ, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																							
J. E. Smith, D.D.	Bath, Pa.	Salem.	363	304	348	23			8	2	1	1	8		1	18	231	63		\$ 389 00	\$ 800 00		
Moore Township Charge.		Emmanuel.	138	127	141	11			10	3	6	2	4		1	20	127			167 00	600 00		
		Christ.	193	115	123	11			9		1				1	17	121			73 00	400 00		
F. W. Smith.	Effort, Pa.	Jehovah.	65	52	48										1	27	133			123 00	145 00		
Pleasant Valley Charge.		Salem.	300	215	132	11			6		3		7		4	18	367	24	1	137 00	10 00		
		Jerusalem.	375	235	155	7			22	10	2		8	1	3	29	411		1	137 00	1080 00		
W. H. Wotring, D.D.	Nazareth, Pa.	St. John's.	100	80	45	9					2		5		1	12	102			53 00	325 00		
J. F. DeLong, D.D.	Bethlehem, Pa.	Without Charge.	830	659	601	20			48	30	15	15	8		1	43	869	71		1359 00	5275 00		
E. L. Kemp, Sc.D.	E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	Principal Normal School.																					
J. G. Rupp.	21 N. West St., Allentown.	Field Sec. Board Foreign Mis.																					
W. H. Brong.	302 George St., Pen Argyl.	St. Peter's.																					
Plainfield Charge.		Evangelical Reformed.																					
		Trinity.																					
		Faith.																					
W. U. Helffrich, B.D.	Bath, Pa.	Christ.	396	175	200	17			14	6	3		9		1	20	224	40		255 00	6500 00		
W. H. Erb, B.D.	338 E. North St., Bethlehem.	St. Paul's.	131	105	110	11			12	2	1	6	1	3	1	17	131	40		115 00	679 00		
H. A. Frantz.	S. Bethlehem, Pa.	Without Charge.	105	90	75	1			2	3	1		2	2	1	22	204	30	1	45 00	331 00		
O. H. E. Rauch.	200 Porter St., Easton, Pa.	Grace.	225	180	118	13			4	6	1	1	1	1	1	22	204	55	1	145 00	1100 00		
			330	229	115	22			10	11	9	7	3	1	1	20	305	5	1	828 00	1800 00		
			259	101	8	2			5	1	4	5	2		1	36	308	50		190 00	1800 00		
																				551 00	3781 00		

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H. H. Long Mt. Bethel Charge.	Stone Church, Pa.	Christ..... Mt. Zion..... St. Mark's..... Bethany.....	106 116 104 85	150 85 40 2	12 11 1 2	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	2 1 1 1	2 1 1 1	6 2 1 1	5 3 2 1	1 1 1 1	15 14 17 12	280 170 178 156	\$ 568 00 219 00 136 00 66 00	\$ 1400 00 650 00 450 00 200 00	
H. J. Ehret Farmersville Charge.	601 N. Main St., Bethlehem.	Altonah..... Arndt's..... Farmersville..... Trinity.....	222 139 157 312	83 69 142 12	35 25 142 12	12 8 8 5	7 4 3 3	4 7 10 10	3 3 3 3	2 2 2 2	5 7 6 6	1 3 3 3	12 17 15 26	171 171 176 220	333 00 333 00 189 00 350 00	844 00 844 00 912 00 777 00	
R. F. Reed. A. P. Frantz, B.D. G. W. Royer. Towamensing Charge	Freemansburg, Pa. Catasauqua, Pa. Palmerton, Pa.	Salem..... St. John's..... St. Paul's..... St. Peter's..... Emmanuel..... St. John's..... Dryland..... Zion.....	180 122 475 431	138 134 360 32	235 32 207 21	14 14 14 14	5 11 27 3	3 4 10 10	8 6 9 2	6 8 10 3	2 2 4 3	1 2 3 3	1 3 4 12	35 520 557 118	501 00 376 00 224 00 59 00	1670 00 3150 00 850 00 300 00	
Edwin W. Lentz. C. A. Butz. Dryland Charge.	Bangor, Pa. Morav'n Terrace, Bethlehem.	Grace..... St. Mark's..... St. Paul's..... Salem..... Prof. Theological Seminary Salem.....	93 85 65 400	67 60 9 150	45 66 9 173	6 9 2 173	4 4 4 7	6 1 1 10	2 4 4 5	10 1 1 8	3 1 1 11	2 1 1 7	1 1 1 1	12 17 21 40	168 215 317 458	38 00 38 00 37 00 268 00	250 00 250 00 37 00 9100 00
J. M. Shellenberger. Tannersville Charge.	Tannersville, Pa.	Grace..... St. Mark's..... St. Paul's..... Salem..... Prof. Theological Seminary Tatamy, Pa.	197 127 107 303	23 23 1 1	173 23 1 1	23 1 1 1	17 5 2 2	3 1 1 1	10 8 1 2	8 1 1 3	11 1 1 7	1 1 1 1	21 20 130 130	331 311 330 134	390 00 390 00 390 00 325 00	800 00 400 00 600 00 325 00	
I. H. DeLong, Ph.D. Floyd R. Shafer. George K. Ely. Broadheads-ville-Hamilton Charge	523 W. James St., Lancaster. Tatamy, Pa. Sciota, Pa.	St. Peter's..... Broadheads-ville..... Hamilton..... St. Mathew's..... Mt. Eaton.....	335 301 135 110	165 36 50 200	9 10 7 15	5 16 7 28	8 2 2 3	5 4 2 3	3 11 5 17	9 3 4 7	2 1 2 2	1 1 2 1	26 19 16 22	251 154 200 215	210 00 67 00 130 00 100 00	1784 00 740 00 450 00 1500 00	
John Baer Stouddt. H. I. Crow. J. S. Bartholomew. Schoenersville Charge.	Northampton, Pa. 525 W. Market St., Bethlehem 632 N. 9th St., Allentown.	Grace..... Bethany..... Christ..... St. Peter's.....	366 308 175 297	15 16 3 31	242 168 140 153	15 26 3 2	5 19 12 27	4 7 12 24	1 5 6 13	3 6 4 13	1 1 1 2	1 1 1 1	32 39 42 46	425 390 430 450	771 00 715 00 227 00 78 00	3100 00 2816 00 925 00 3500 00	
J. P. Diefenderfer	1915 Farmersburg Av., Easton.	Memorial.....	481	28	242	28	27	11	13	13	2	2	1	46	672	608 00	\$ 3741 00

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I. M. Bachman.....	Northampton, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	520	375	250	18	3	21	4	7	1	11	3	3	1	42	591	186	\$	506.00	\$ 6403.00
Edward F. Evemeyer.....	29 N. 3rd St., Easton, Pa.....	First.....	850	711	400	25	10	23	11	19	18	28	5	4	1	60	638	...	3903.00	10590.00	
R. J. Freeman.....	E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.....	First.....	263	196	143	13	18	9	9	2	4	11	5	3	1	17	220	...	371.00	1050.00	
George J. Laubach, B. D.....	Easton, Pa., R. R. 3.....	St. John's.....	185	155	85	6	...	...	1	1	...	...	3	...	...	26	219	...	278.00	883.00
Howertown Charge.....	...	St. Peter's.....	160	145	79	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	165	...	200.00	450.00
J. G. Kerschner.....	Palmerton, Pa.....	Christ.....	120	74	95	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	13	115	35.00	330.00
George E. Kopenhaver.....	Cherryville, Pa.....	First.....	132	108	86	13	...	...	6	7	4	9	1	2	1	13	212	73	276.00	2394.00
Kreidersville Charge.....	...	Zion.....	320	194	130	4	...	...	3	7	7	7	10	1	1	25	329	40	213.00	1100.00
E. Elmer Sencig.....	339 E. Hamilt'n St., All'nt'n.....	St. Paul's.....	350	211	175	13	...	...	3	11	21	4	30	...	...	1	14	263	225.00	900.00
Z. A. Yearick, D.D.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	62	62	21	15	1	5	11	21	4	30	...	...	...	1	17	441	194.00	540.00
E. Wilbur Kriebel.....	Stroudsburg, Pa.....	Zion.....	260	196	52	17	1	15	12	4	7	9	3	...	...	38	469	25	400.00	2669.00
T. O. Stern.....	1101 Wash'gt'n St., Easton.....	Without Charge.....	690	600	420	23	2	23	14	11	11	4	14	7	1	60	651	183	1441.00	12077.00	
I. A. Raubenhold.....	1017 Lehigh St., Easton, Pa.....	St. Mark's.....	232	125	130	4	...	...	5	1	1	...	5	...	...	24	169	18	348.00	2035.00
Henry J. Stahr, pastor elect.....	Weissport, Pa.....	Jacob's.....	683	497	276	16	...	...	11	2	2	20	68	1	2	32	548	10	1312.00	3639.00
J. E. Freeman, Supply.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Christ.....	33	33	12	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	7	...	...	15.00	250.00
Supply Committee.....	615 Washington St., Allent'n.....	Oxford Furnace.....	12	10	9	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14.00	90.00
John Deszo.....	Northampton, Pa.....	Kellar's.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles H. Lerch, Lic.....	Easton, Pa.....	First Hungarian.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles H. Lerch, Lic.....	Easton, Pa.....	Prin. Lerch Prep. School.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ministers, 39.....	Charges, 33.....	Congregations, 63.....	15339	11599	8474	703	35	544	297	263	245	367	271	103	71	1527	17540	1984	\$22116.00	118922.00	
Licentiates, 1.....	Excommunications, 0.....	Minutes of Synod Wanted 605.....

II. Lebanon Classis—REV. J. LEWIS FLUCK, D.D., <i>Stated Clerk.</i>		
A. J. Bachman.....	Schaefferstown, Pa.....	Schaefferstown.....
	St. Paul's, Schaefferstown.....	St. Paul's, Schaefferstown.....
	St. Paul's, Millbach.....	St. Paul's, Millbach.....
	Elias, Newmantown.....	Elias, Newmantown.....

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A. J. Bachman.....	Schaefferstown, Pa.....	Schaefferstown.....	368	250	335	27	4	8	1	...	4	2	12	7	1	25	304	30	\$	206.00	\$ 2500.00
.....	.....	St. Paul's, Schaefferstown	164	100	85	8	2	3	...	...	2	1	2	1	1	10	30	...	58.00	300.00
.....	St. Paul's, Millbach.....	195	100	95	13	...	5	1	...	2	1	3	1	2	25	300	11	106.00	400.00	
.....	Elias, Newmantown.....	

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Henry J. Welker.....	Riceland, Pa.....	Tulpehocken.....	480	412	181	9	8	1	1	1	9	2	1	2	17	144	\$	337.00	\$ 1025.00
W. J. Kershner.....	115 S. 3rd St., Reading, Pa.....	Trinity.....	190	170	66	5	19	3	1	2	1	1	1	10	71	121.00	200.00	
		St. Jacob's, Kimmerlings.....																			
		Sinking Spring.....																			
		St. John's.....	575	311	120	18	24	4	4	19	2	1	1	1	47	408	1	365.00	1125.00	
		Immanuel.....	175	150	75	5	3	29	4	2	1	1	1	28	375	125.00	1280.00	
		St. John's.....	870	735	170	41	31	2	26	2	1	1	1	27	419	400.00	6319.00	
		Christ.....	101	72	30	5	12	2	4	1	1	1	1	25	213	40.00	560.00	
S. A. Leinbach, D.D.....	326 N. 5th St., Reading, Pa.....	St. Michael's.....	350	292	150	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	57	360	.....	.....	220.00	1900.00
J. V. George, D.D.....	228 S. 3rd St., Reading, Pa.....	Allegheny.....	302	287	51	5	23	.....	7	.....	2	.....	1	13	192	.....	.....	81.00	550.00
		Wyomissing.....	158	151	28	2	7	.....	5	.....	1	.....	1	20	119	.....	.....	70.00	325.00
		St. John's.....	230	220	42	3	17	.....	9	.....	3	.....	1	12	135	.....	.....	61.00	450.00
		Allegheny.....	58	51	21	1	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	16	33	.....	.....	30.00	360.00
		Plover.....	1011	637	357	40	1	47	10	13	12	11	3	2	87	1319	239	1685.00	5044.00	
I. Calvin Fisher, D.D.....	752 Mifflin St., Lebanon, Pa.....	St. Mark's.....	515	390	94	11	9	9	1	9	20	4	1	33	444	32	.....	813.00	4445.00	
U. H. Heilman.....	920 Walnut St., Lebanon, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	296	225	170	14	1	9	5	4	5	7	1	38	338	35	.....	2706.00	1025.00	
J. Lewis Fluck, D.D.....	Myerstown, Pa.....	Annaville.....	111	94	78	.....	8	1	.....	1	3	1	1	19	128	.....	.....	306.00	440.00
William F. DeLong.....	Annaville, Pa.....	Christ.....																			
V. W. Dippell, Ph.D.....	563 W. Walnut St., Lancaster	Hill.....																			
Edwin S. Leinbach.....	Womelsdorf, Pa.....	Prof. in F. and M. College.....																			
		Rohesia.....	100	90	45	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	73	1	.....	975.00	400.00
		North Heidelberg.....	265	170	85	12	.....	5	1	.....	2	1	1	20	213	.....	.....	325.00	1200.00
		St. Paul's.....	475	444	100	38	30	1	.....	1	7	2	1	28	63	.....	.....	243.00	1000.00
		St. John's.....	47	47	128	.....	15	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	1	12	182	122	.....	203.00	.....	
Wilson F. More, D.D.....	Womelsdorf, Pa.....	Bedhamy Orphan's Home.....																			
Joseph H. Schlappig.....	340 S. Chestn't St., Mt. Carmel	Without Charge.....																			
D. K. Laudenslager.....	Womelsdorf, Pa.....	Womelsdorf.....	290	171	101	6	7	6	1	10	1	5	1	22	298	101	.....	410.00	16550.00	
		Zion.....	139	95	88	5	3	17	5	5	6	1	1	18	234	48	.....	126.00	1367.00	
W. D. Hoppel, Ph.D.....	1024 Chestn't St., Lebanon.....	Grace.....	790	510	230	13	2	20	6	4	7	17	1	53	634	40	1676.00	12250.00		
T. L. Bickel.....	131 N. 5th St., Reading, Pa.....	First.....																			
		Prof. Reading High School.....																			

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Charles M. Rissinger.....	Fredericksburg, Pa.....	Bethel..... St. Paul's, Hamlin..... Salem, Bethel..... St. John's, Fredericksburg..... Zion's, Mt. Zion..... Bernville.....	170 230 80 188	154 164 62 163	117 90 7 87	9 7 3 7	9 1 3 12	9 1 3 1	2 3 3 1	1 2 3 2	1 1 3 2	3 1 2 6	1 1 2 2	1 1 2 1	16 160 22 31	160 178 228 172	96 73 73 172	\$ 151.00 72.00 65.00 189.00	410.00 675.00 200.00 390.00	
Amandus Leiby.....	Bernville, Pa.....	St. Thomas', Bernville..... Zion's, Strausstown..... Christ.....	415 325 60	390 317 56	200 9 25	15 9 1	3 33 2	3 2 2	3 2 2	2 2 2	6 5 2	2 5 2	6 2 2	1 1 1	1 36 1	36 252 352	96 1 1	274.00 112.00 18.00	1000.00 1000.00 200.00	
Warren C. Hess.....	Avon, Pa.....	Avon-Dismark..... Grace, Avon..... St. Paul's, Bismark..... Templeman, Rexmont.....	240 185 28	175 150 18	205 140 1	12 6 1	13 4 1	2 4 1	3 6 5	3 1 1	3 5 10	1 5 3	1 1 2	3 1 1	1 19 23	276 227 111	276 227 111	134.00 141.00 18.00	1600.00 950.00 150.00	
Frank R. Lefever..... David Scheier.....	Hathaway Park, Lebanon. Jonestown, Pa.....	Swatara..... St. John's, Jonestown..... Salem's, Walmer's..... Zion.....	178 153 87	110 110 79	74 59 32	6 5 1	4 6 3	1 2 6	2 6 1	2 2 1	2 1 1	2 3 1	2 1 1	2 1 1	1 20 19	171 209 100	2 2 2	259.00 129.00 122.00	1058.00 570.00 426.00	
John F. Frantz.....	Palmyra, Pa.....	Campbelltown..... Trinity, Palmyra..... Salem, Campbelltown.....	297 133	228 113	111 31	6 2	5 3	9 2	1 3	1 2	7 2	2 4	2 1	1 1	1 37 17	352 214	97 75	856.00 337.00	1699.00 1105.00	
Harry J. Donat.....	Rehersburg, Pa.....	Rehersburg..... St. John's..... Trinity..... St. Paul's.....	225 140 30	180 118 223	50 45 21	5 2 1	19 10 1	2 1 1	2 1 1	2 1 1	3 3 4	3 2 5	3 1 1	1 1 1	8 12 8	125 123 75	..... ..... .....	35.00 55.00 8.00	350.00 370.00 200.00
John N. LeVan..... R. S. Apple, Supply..... R. S. Apple, Supply..... Lic. A. R. Bachman.....	931 Willow St., Lebanon, Pa. Hamburg, Pa..... Hamburg, Pa..... Schaefferstown, Pa.....	St. John's..... Kissinger's..... Frieden's.....	345 103 82	223 95 67	145 30 25	12 2 2	34 11 2	11 12 2	12 3 2	2 2 2	2 2 2	2 2 2	2 2 2	2 2 2	1 1 1	30 345 182	65 65 182	843.00 24.00 44.00	3661.00 325.00 215.00	
Ministers, 25	Charges, 21	Congregations, 47	12156	9350	4815	413	36	522	115	54	132	37	227	41	51	1120	1224	8	\$15670.00	\$83469.00

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III. Phila. Classis—REV. CHAS. B. ALSPACH, D. D., <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																						
James Crawford, D.D.	4337 Pine Street.	Christ (Emeritus)	142	98	8	2	10	6	10	5	2	1	1	1	12	132	...	\$ 153.00	\$ 5137.00			
S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.	610-66th Ave., Oak Lane.	Oak Lane.	112	91	27	4	5	8	1	...	10	3	...	2	25	149	...	202.00	836.00			
Charles S. Wiand.	Pottstown, Pa.	Shenkels.	629	529	135	26	6	1	...	31	21	10	3	1	30	677	100	2250.00	6101.00			
Rufus C. Zartman, D.D.	1815 Oxford St., Phila.	Heidelberg.	390	236	125	4	4	7	8	3	3	3	...	1	21	146	...	585.00	3962.00			
Robert O'Boyle	4007 Sp. Garden St., Phila.	St. John's.	383	282	39	4	2	4	7	7	6	4	...	1	24	217	48	1237.00	3016.00			
Silas L. Messinger, D.D.	Trappe, Pa.	St. Luke's.	242	156	46	1	1	2	...	1	...	1	...	1	19	138	...	737.00	2171.00			
Charles A. Santee	Fort Washington, Pa.	St. Paul's.	530	412	25	10	50	27	11	15	8	7	4	1	46	876	108	1135.00	7272.00			
Charles B. Alspach, D.D.	1538 W. 70th ck'g St., Phila.	Mt. Hermon.	755	501	190	29	12	11	19	42	6	3	5	1	40	987	120	731.00	19820.00			
Frank H. Fisher.	2638 N. 29th St., Phila.	Calvary.	180	135	51	1	3	7	6	1	4	...	...	1	18	138	117	7582.00	4050.00		
Eugene L. McLean.	1706 Hazel Avenue, Phila.	Christ.	483	411	154	13	6	22	9	12	3	7	4	1	34	533	138	6665.00	6067.00			
Edwin F. West, D.D.	Norristown, Pa.	Trinity.	303	168	140	4	7	2	9	41	8	15	...	1	25	330	144	439.00	2911.00			
Frank L. Kerr.	Phoenixville, Pa.	St. John's.	412	326	132	12	3	15	10	3	4	8	2	1	39	474	99	1038.00	4186.00			
Harry W. Bright.	Norristown, Pa.	Ascension.	421	326	130	16	6	17	5	1	6	3	1	1	33	441	80	1160.00	3040.00			
Benoni Bates.	Norristown, Pa.	Christ.	1146	996	355	21	15	53	44	23	13	18	6	5	74	1351	223	11873.00	12097.00			
Jas. M. S. Isenberg, D.D.	1417 Vengano St., Phila.	Trinity.	787	696	170	19	10	18	22	12	17	17	8	1	48	565	114	828.00	9250.00			
Franklin E. Wieder.	1220 N. 57th St., Phila.	Palatinate.	420	348	150	13	3	26	9	12	15	13	6	2	55	713	121	4753.00	8793.00			
U. C. E. Gutelius.	2729 N. 11th St., Phila.	Grace.	224	185	62	2	5	42	2	1	2	1	1	1	14	274	83	763.00	5118.00			
Harry H. Hartman.	2922 N. 20th St., Phila.	Bethany.	224	185	62	2	5	42	2	1	2	1	1	1	17	274	83	479.00	1763.00			
Maurice Samson.	5030 N. 12 St., Phila.	Olivet.	140	105	55	6	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	14	137	100	165.00	836.00		
John K. Adams.	Anselma, Pa.	St. Matthew's.	400	340	58	43	6	47	4	14	19	24	6	1	42	498	62	1113.00	4234.00			
Edwin J. LaRose.	2133 S. 13th St., Phila.	Messiah.	250	150	...	...	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	1	31	690	30	25.00	3220.00		
J. Newton Kugler.	1908 S. 21th St., Phila.	St. Andrew's.	415	310	100	5	10	42	9	16	36	9	2	1	24	204	...	1313.00	7672.00			
Edgar R. Appenzellar.	133 S. 51st St., Phila.	First.	137	106	11	1	3	7	1	1	1	1	...	1	19	91	19	293.50	2139.00			
Carl G. Petri.	Spring City, Pa.	St. Vincent.	122	91	...	4	6	3	3	3	9	1	...	1	...	...	...	109.00	929.00		
Harry E. Kochenderfer.	Lunfield, Pa.	Lunfield.	250	175	...	2	3	8	3	3	3	5	...	1	25	213	15	371.00	1683.00			
Arthur C. Ohl.	Spring City, Pa., R. F. D.	Brownback's.	65	45	50	7	4	12	8	2	9	1	...	1	12	121	...	70.00	410.00			
Dallas R. Krebs.	Spring City, Pa., R. F. D.	St. Peter's.	539	430	135	...	...	...	...	11	6	6	...	1	13	726	180	1987.00	3395.00		
Roy E. Leimbach.	Chestnut Hill, Pa.	First.	87	40	23	5	1	...	...	4	5	4	...	1	3	...	...	182.00	940.00		
William S. Clapp.	Collegeville, Pa.	St. Mark's.	302	250	...	4	5	3	...	4	...	4	...	3	59	752	40	950.00	2400.00			
		Trinity, Collegeville.																				

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William S. Clapp.....	Collegeville, Pa.....	Trinity, Skippack.....	100	145	60	4	4	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	111	27		\$ 385 00	\$ 1200 00
Malcolm P. Lakose.....	Lionville, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	88	60	37	3					1	1	1	1	1	1	11	60		208 00	963 00	
Lloyd M. Knoll.....	6120 Carpenter St., Phila.....	St. Peter's, Pikeland.....	48	37	3						1	1	1	1	1	1	11	60		57 00	425 00	
Joseph Yost.....	Blue Bell, Pa.....	Boehm's.....	331	228		4	4	8	1	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	25	229	188	1	940 00	2462 00
Fred. M. E. Grove.....	Phoenixville, Pa., R. F. D.....	East Vincent.....	113	108	45	1	3	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	17	181	31	202 00	950 00		
Paul W. Yoh.....	North Wales, Pa.....	Pleasantville.....	3 88	296	95	3	3	2	2	1	4	1	7	1	1	22	317	108	1	795 00	1695 00	
Vacant.....		St. Luke's, North Wales.....	331	261	188	3	2	2	2	2	9	1	3	1	1	21	223	3 00		2071 00	2895 00	
Josiah D. Detrich.....	North Wales, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
J. I. Good, D.D., L.L.D.....	3260 Chestnut St., Phila.....	Prof. in Central Seminary.....																				
Henry T. Spangler, D.D.....	Collegeville, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.....	15th & Race Sts., Phila.....	Sec'y Board of For. Miss.....																				
Abraham B. Stouffer.....	Norristown, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
Francis C. Yost, D.D.....	230 S. 45th St., Phila.....	Without Charge.....																				
David U. Wolff, D.D.....	Meyerstown, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
Joseph F. Butler.....	Collegeville, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
Cyrus J. Musser, D.D.....	15th & Race Sts., Phila.....	Ed. Ref. Church Messenger.....																				
William A. Long, Ph.D.....	3404 Powelton Ave., Phila.....	Without Charge.....																				
Wilson Delaney.....	58 W. 130th St., New York.....	Without Charge.....																				
Stanley L. Krebs, D.D.....	1411 N. 18th St., Phila.....	Without Charge.....																				
Albert S. Bromer.....	15th & Race Sts., Phila.....	Bus. Mgr. Board of Pub.....																				
Samuel P. Stauffer.....	32 N. 51st St., Philadelphia.....	Without Charge.....																				
Calvin D. Yost.....	Collegeville, Pa.....	Lib. Ursinus College.....																				
William E. Bushong.....	Phoenixville, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
Herbert Dumstreay.....	U. S. S. Utah.....	Chaplain U. S. Navy.....																				
Ministers, 51.	Charges, 35.	Congregations, 36.	11608	9893	2780	314	125	431	295	210	221	278	152	49	46	989	13380	2843	7	\$54024 00	145528 00	

IV. Lancaster Classis—Rev. D. G. GLASS, Stated Clerk.

William F. Lichter.....	Lancaster, Pa.....	St. Luke's.....	418	190	415	20	6	11	2	1	2	5	3	1	41	700	148		\$ 495 29	\$ 2382 17
A. Fred Rentz.....	Robers town.....	Salem.....	183	155	25	3	4	10	3	3	5	10	1	1	16	196			1087 27	1395 75
Vacant.....	New Providence.....	Zion's.....	151	140	20							1	3	1	20	181	30		317 47	768 50
Edw. H. Zechman.....	Manheim.....	St. Paul's.....	244	167	93	9	2	7	6	4	1	3	1	1	29	279	47		616 88	1720 11

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			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
Jeremiah R. Rothermel E. Petersburg-Eden Charge.	East Petersburg.	Trinity.	126	124	20	5	8	1	2	4	6	2	1	4	1	25	135	40	\$	398.00	\$ 3850.00
Cyrus T. Glessner	Ephrata.	Bethany.	45	44	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	200	25		119.00	3625.00
G. A. Stauffer	Willow Street.	Willow Street.	193	168	45	2	11	6	1	4	8	4	4	4	1	24	269	157		903.93	3367.38
Willow Street Charge.	Conestoga.	Conestoga.	121	98	12	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	172	47		230.84	850.00
Homer S. May	Harrisburg.	Fourth.	33	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	116	21		77.90	255.00
Robert A. Bausch	Hummelstown.	Hummelstown.	579	410	275	11	9	21	25	7	38	30	7	1	1	33	594	45		610.00	5250.00
Hummelstown Charge.	Hummelstown.	Hummelstown.	238	188	100	15	3	9	3	4	11	1	3	2	1	15	83	15		1018.34	2000.00
J. H. Pannabecker, D.D.	Union Deposit.	Union Deposit.	63	45	25	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	83	15		238.74	2000.00
Martin W. Schweitzer, Ph. D.	Columbia.	Trinity.	336	210	4	4	8	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	28	314	...		1600.00	
Muddy Creek Charge.	Swamp.	Muddy Creek.	600	513	175	14	1	2	6	1	2	2	11	3	1	26	210	230		346.46	749.93
George B. Raezer	Lititz.	First.	380	260	100	14	1	2	6	1	2	2	6	5	1	15	101	102		119.09	470.00
Warwick Charge.	Lancaster.	St. Luke's.	162	134	35	1	4	6	4	1	2	2	6	1	1	10	132	78		95.19	494.70
Rev. H. M. J. Klein (Supply)	St. Peter's.	St. Peter's.	127	95	25	2	3	4	6	4	1	2	2	1	1	123	80	...		80.86	481.16
Henry H. Rupp.	St. Peter's.	St. Peter's.	134	115	35	2	3	7	3	1	2	2	1	1	1	92	188	...		55.20	756.64
William J. Lowe.	St. Luke's.	St. Luke's.	106	73	28	4	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	2	1	5	31	...		40.51	211.30
Benjamin M. Meyer.	First.	First.	69	51	30	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	20	109	...		64.00	543.31
George A. Whitmore.	Maytown.	Maytown.	161	124	88	5	1	3	2	1	23	1	5	2	1	19	88	22		420.00	350.00
Howard Obold.	Elizabethtown.	Christ.	138	110	35	1	9	1	1	3	1	23	1	5	2	32	223	...		370.23	1848.43
Lewis Reiter.	Millersville.	Zion's.	356	280	60	6	13	9	3	7	7	1	7	4	1	24	169	38		422.98	1471.73
Shoop's Charge.	Quarryville.	St. Paul's.	165	140	41	7	1	8	1	1	11	5	2	1	1	21	203	139		1671.17	4710.81
W. R. Hartzell.	Harrisburg, Pa.	Shoop's.	238	170	55	4	4	3	4	2	2	1	2	1	1	17	244	70		815.87	1100.00
D. G. Glass.	Penbrook.	Shoop's.	77	66	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	185	...		526.00	1810.00
J. Hunter Watts.	Lancaster.	St. Andrew's.	32	29	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	90	...		77.00	320.00
J. H. Hillegass.	Lancaster.	Faith.	71	58	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	160	...		41.00	315.00
Wilbur W. Moyer.	Leacock.	St. Andrew's.	81	63	60	5	8	2	2	2	4	3	9	4	1	16	137	...		59.00	316.00
J. W. Meminger.	Marietta.	Salem (Heller's).	357	375	185	7	8	9	15	4	11	7	8	20	1	57	605	127		163.00	942.00
Committee of Supply.	Lancaster.	Zion's.	370	270	130	1	8	4	1	1	9	2	7	8	1	21	431	75		297.88	1864.70
	Mountville.	St. Paul's.	112	92	54	6	2	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	250	...		650.00	1500.00
		Trinity.	1025	795	350	14	25	30	7	8	1	2	1	1	1	65	147	165		1137.47	7500.00
			108	87	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	77	...		224.88	750.00

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A. V. Hiestor, Ph. D.....	Lancaster.....	Professor F. & M. College.....	11915	8668	3254	267	128	209	208	53	225	99	164	88	48	1011	11596	2918	5	\$26125	19	\$85682
Paul F. Schaffner.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Missionary.....																				
*Thaddaus G. Helm.....	Lancaster.....	Prof. F. and M. Academy.....																				
*C. W. B. Long.....	Dallas, Texas.....	Without Charge.....																				
*Paul L. Gerhard.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Missionary.....																				
*Alfred N. Sayre.....																						
Ministers, 51.	Charges, 33.	Congregations, 52.	11915	8668	3254	267	128	209	208	53	225	99	164	88	48	1011	11596	2918	5	\$26125	19	\$85682
*Licentiates 4.																						
V. E. Susquehanna Classis—REV. LAWRENCE E. BAIR, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																						
Simon P. Brown.....	Port Trevort'n, R. F. D. 1.....	Retired.....	1361	1013	1080	83	5	49	7	7	13	20	19	9	2	81	2000	165	5	\$ 4086.00	\$ 4550.00	
Charles B. Schneider, D.D.....	Shamokin, Pa.....	St. John's.....	747	610	605	38	33	8	5	16	11	13	13	1	1	34	746	100	1	1366.00	3096.00	
Isaac M. Schaeffer.....	Ashland, Pa.....	Zion's.....																				
Clement D. Kressley.....	Hegins, Pa.....	Deep Creek Charge.....																				
		Frieden's.....	186	121	157	8	5	4	5	5	5	5	6	1	1	32	593	79	1	300.00	700.00	
		Christ.....	117	58	43	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	92	50		31.75	725.00	
		St. John's.....	49	29	45	7	6	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	110	100		65.00	100.00	
		St. Paul's.....	118	90	84	7	6	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	170	100		99.50	225.00	
		St. Matthew's.....	66	36	47	2	4	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	100	100		75.50	100.00	
		Zion's.....	151	128	121	9	8	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	125	100		100.35	225.00	
		Grace.....	295	212	229	27	26	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	33	519	55		145.91	1640.35	
		Lykens Valley Charge.....																				
Albert Gonser.....	Mt. Carmel, Pa.....	Simon's.....	293	230	130	10	2	2	7	4	1	1	1	1	22	21	18	34	41	311.00	600.00	
Calvin P. Wehr.....	Elizabethtown, Pa.....	Salem's.....	287	222	120	5	9	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	18	34	18	34	41	447.00	590.00	
		St. Peter's.....	190	163	75	5	13	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	20	100	204.00	569.00	
		Salem's.....	87	76	22	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	100	70	1	25.00	250.00	
Lawrence E. Bair.....	Millersburg, Pa.....	Trinity.....	235	185	150	8	1	18	17	5	4	40	2	2	1	20	345	50	1	446.26	1236.81	

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			MEMBERS			ADDITIONS				LOSSES			S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS						
			Communicants	Unconfirmed		Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Beneficence	Congregational Purposes
R. Ira Gass.....	Pillow, Pa.....	Uniontown Charge.....	96	50	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	98	9	80.00	\$	180.00	
			180	140	10	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	179	1	181.00		340.00	
			94	80	49	5	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	257	1	87.00		155.00	
			72	40	42	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	40	1	75.00		125.00	
John F. Bair.....	Catawissa, Pa.....	Numidia Charge.....	287	200	150	3	3	1	2	2	1	4	1	1	12	224	18	330.00		900.00	
			153	120	65	3	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	170	1	214.00		650.00	
Charles D. Lerch.....	Ringtown, Pa.....	Ringtown Charge.....	231	170	101	23	14	1	3	8	2	4	2	1	16	254	37	235.00		790.00	
			109	73	33	14	12	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	142	1	99.00		497.00	
			69	47	33	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	97	20	37.00		380.00	
			39	31	27	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	46	16	29.00		170.00
Charles H. Slinghoff.....	Tower City, Pa.....	Lykens-Tower City Charge.....	53	30	35	6	1	4	2	3	1	2	1	1	12	39	1	27.00		180.00	
			180	145	79	21	18	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	18	212	40	193.00		840.00
			231	173	128	22	9	2	3	1	1	1	5	4	1	28	235	45	184.00		593.00
			43	31	18	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22.00		155.00
William H. Miller.....	Millersburg, Pa., R. D. 1.....	David's Charge.....	246	206	104	11	6	4	2	1	3	2	1	1	18	219	1	248.93		1287.92	
			31	25	12	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	15	102	1	36.76		80.00	
Oliver F. Schaeffer.....	Leek Kill, Pa.....	Line Mountain Charge.....	65	57	18	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	87	58	64.71		442.00		
			82	55	20	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	175	2	72.44		250.00	
			134	115	47	11	9	1	1	1	3	1	3	1	1	16	175	2	111.80		670.00
			36	30	18	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	133	1	10.84		130.00
Charles E. Roth.....	Sunbury, Pa.....	First.....	532	426	315	21	1	25	40	13	6	22	3	1	1	13	393	2672	40	2652.00	
O. T. Moyer.....	Shamokin, Pa.....	Gowan City Charge.....	212	178	150	27	4	1	2	3	1	1	1	14	126	1	71.00		744.00		
			42	26	28	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	77	1	6.00		87.00	
			65	31	58	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	86	1	6.00		180.00

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Charles Brown.....	Herrndon, Pa., R. D.....	Mahanoy Charge.....	134	125	58	6	11	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	11	132	1	\$ 108.72	\$ 670.00	
		St. Peter's.....	90	84	50	1	15	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	15	237	1	138.22	406.00	
		St. Paul's.....	90	82	60	1	15	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	19	274	1	132.00	614.00	
		Zion's.....	154	128	50	3	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	124	1	124.71	755.00	
		Himmel's.....	67	50	40	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	13	126	1	53.62	318.00	
Victor Jones.....	Catawissa, Pa.....	St. David's.....	138	71	.....	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	151	1	.....	.....
		Catawissa-Mainville Charge.....	103	49	.....	31	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	67	1	.....	.....
		St. John's.....	103	49	.....	31	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	67	1	.....	.....
Albert Gonsler (Supply) C. E. Correll (Supply) Vacant.....	Mt. Carmel, Pa..... West Hazleton, Pa.....	Hope..... Christ..... Paxinos-Augusta Charge.....	34	34	15	6	4	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	11	84	17	.....	.....
		Emanuel's.....	90	70	25	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	1	19	60	1	.....	.....
		Zion's.....	60	40	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	15	75	1	.....	.....
		St. John's.....	45	30	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	12	55	1	.....	.....
		St. Elias.....	30	24	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	16	65	1	.....	.....
		St. John's.....	24	22	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	10	45	1	.....	.....
		Jacob's.....	24	22	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	10	45	1	.....	.....
		St. Peter's.....	40	34	14	2	8	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	12	226	1	.....	.....
		Salem.....	267	500	75	4	14	7	7	7	7	6	20	1	31	689	84	221.03	1529.00	
		Bethany.....	12	12	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	16	39	.....	26.00	160.00
Vacant..... Vacant..... John W. Buck..... M. M. Fryer..... Walter C. Beck.....	Shamokin, Pa..... Shamokin, Pa., R. D..... Shamokin, Pa..... Shamokin, Pa.....	Without Charge..... Without Charge..... Without Charge..... Without Charge.....	406	267	500	75	4	14	7	7	7	6	20	1	31	689	84	221.03	1529.00	
		Without Charge.....	12	12	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	16	39	.....	26.00	160.00
Ministers, 22.	Charges, 21.	Congregations, 55.	9032	6898	5568	558	14	391	121	51	177	198	139	66	59	952	10659	945	\$16812.55	\$32284.05
VI. W. Susquehanna Classis—REV. R. R. JONES, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																				
W. W. Clouser.....	White Deer, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	401	331	70	7	5	7	5	5	3	3	3	1	23	282	79	\$ 1123.00	\$ 1054.00	
George W. Kershner.....	459 W. 123rd St., New York.....	Without Charge.....	2	23	253	70	3	1	9	6	3	9	1	1	20	207	47	676.00	1551.00	
K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D.....	Mifflinburg, Pa.....	St. John's.....	401	331	70	7	5	7	5	5	3	3	3	1	23	282	79	\$ 1123.00	\$ 1054.00	
R. Leighton Gerhart, D.D.....	Lewisburg, Pa.....	St. John's.....	2	23	253	70	3	1	9	6	3	9	1	1	20	207	47	676.00	1551.00	

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Ambrose M. Schmidt, D.D. W. D. Donat.	Bellefonte, Pa.	St. John's	300	227	101	6	4	6	3	2	1	7	1	20	185	60		\$10.00	\$2105.00	
	Aaronsburg, Pa.	Aaronsburg Charge.																		
	Salem.	St. Peter's	85	74	39	1					1		1	15	95	8		215.00	382.00	
	St. Andrew's		78	68	26	3			1	1		3	1	17	92		1	258.00	271.00	
	St. John's		83	61	30								1	14	86			173.00	316.00	
	St. Paul's		21	17	12									12	86	41		219.00	394.00	
	St. John's		333	240	85	11			3				1	14	72			49.00	86.00	
	St. John's	701 Packer St., W'msport.	418	347	187	17	1	16	6	3	10	6	9	3	42	536	136		903.00	2661.00
	St. Luke's	Lock Haven, Pa.																890.00	3282.00	
	Boalsburg Charge.	Boalsburg, Pa.																		
W. C. Rittenhouse William E. Harr. S. Charles Stover		St. John's	178	157	112	9			3	1	12		4	4	15	151	42	1	345.00	721.00
		Bethel.	15	14	5	1			1	1	5		1	6	18			30.00	210.00	
		St. Peter's	88	73	71	7	2		1	1	3		3	1	11	142			174.00	559.00
		Nazareth	17	13	11	2					1	3		2				32.00	168.00	
		Center Hall Charge.																		
		Trinity	147	143	45	4			2	1	1	6	3	3	1	138	41		330.00	672.00
		Emanuel's	77	70	20	1							1	2	1	26	167		259.00	245.00
		St. John's	53	49	29	4			1	1			2		15	112			153.00	210.00
		Grace.	54	51	33	1	1	1	1		4			1	17	99			129.00	175.00
		Without Charge.																		
Joseph M. Bean. Samuel A. Hiner. N. L. Horn. W. M. Hoover. Leon S. Drummeller.	Montgomery, Pa.	Without Charge.	126	114	70				7	8	1	7	16	2	1	230	70		345.00	1600.00
	Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.	Faith.																		
	State College, Pa.	Without Charge.																		
	Pillow, Pa.	Selinsgrove, Charge.																		
	Selinsgrove, Pa.	St. Paul's	198	140	63	3			7	2	4	3			1	29	241	20	432.00	700.00
		Zion's	148	110	82	12			6			5	3		12	116		1	230.00	450.00
		Salem (Luth. and Ref'd.)	77	70	20								2	1	19	130			133.00	300.00
		Keiser	37	30	33	3							1		9	117			65.00	200.00
		New Berlin Charge.																		
		Dreisbach.	140	120	75	3				2	1	2		1	1	29	265		341.00	325.00
Howard A. Robb.		Emanuel's	136	112	60	8			8	2	3	1	4	2	3	1	24	123	243.00	540.00
		Penn's Creek.	31	24	18	1			4	10				1	20	140	40	65.00	125.00	
		St. John's	32	28	17	5								1	12	105		65.00	125.00	
		St. Paul's	18	12	7	1			2	2				1	12	85		31.00	75.00	

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Mark N. Wickert.....	West Milton, Pa.....	White Deer Charge. St. Peter's..... St. Paul's..... St. John's.....	121	102	40	7	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	18	94	94	...	\$216.00	\$ 849.00
			78	72	31	1	2	4	...	5	53	18	133	53	155.00	762.00
			25	17	12	1	2	28	10	42	28	50.00	167.00
Harry A. Hartman.....	Mifflinburg, Pa.....	Buffalo Valley Charge. Mageppa..... Vicksburg..... Rays..... Laurelton.....	102	80	40	5	1	1	19	193	28	...	214.00	6000.00
			15	15	15	1	12	93	28	...	53.00	200.00
			40	30	30	2	17	96	10	...	77.00	130.00
			20	14	22	1	7	28	20	...	40.00	125.00
William H. Cogley.....	Freeburg, Pa.....	Freeburg Charge. St. Peter's..... First Reformed..... Grubb's.....	172	150	50	5	5	10	1	...	1	20	196	95	...	238.00	510.00
			112	95	28	6	2	1	...	4	4	14	133	33	...	145.00	399.00
			28	28	6	2	2	14	150	51.00	198.00
R. F. Gass.....	Howard, Pa.....	Nittany Valley Charge. Salona..... Jacksonville..... Howard..... Mt. Bethel..... Marsh Creek.....	84	75	23	1	10	...	2	6	3	1	15	69	155.00	301.00
			99	85	33	5	2	1	3	5	5	15	70	173.00	356.00
			67	56	18	...	3	1	3	1	13	87	48	...	127.00	351.00
			69	64	26	3	10	4	1	2	2	13	64	124.00	273.00
S. Sidney Kohler..... J. D. Hunsicker.....	New Berlin, Pa..... Rebersburg, Pa.....	Without Charge. Rebersburg Charge. St. Peter's..... Christ's..... St. John's..... Emanuel's..... Grace.....	18	17	5	...	1	...	1	1	1	22.00	32.00	
Charles H. Faust.....	Hublersburg, Pa.....	Hublersburg Charge. Trinity..... Zion's.....	120	86	45	2	1	6	3	7	...	2	3	1	17	133	18	1	208.00	708.00
			101	80	27	3	3	4	...	6	154	178.00	637.00

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Vacant.		Freemont Charge.	20	15	8										1	10	50		\$ 9.00	\$ 60.00	
		Barner's.	25	25	11	1									1	12	25		30.00	90.00	
		Freemont.	34	34	13	1		3							1				24.00	110.00	
		Richfield.	19	12	8			1											8.00	60.00	
		Leiminger's.	38	34	12	2							1						110.00	110.00	
		St. Peter's.	60	51	20	1									1	9	50		28.00	160.00	
		Neimond's.													1	12	60		41.00	160.00	
Vacant.		Beaver Springs Charge.																			
		Mt. Bethel.	71	40		2	3						2		1	20	64		65.00	100.00	
		Christ's.	100	80		3				1	2		5	1	1	15	139		146.00	280.00	
		St. Paul's.	70	59		3									1	21	134	1	89.00	200.00	
		St. John's.	100	80		3	1	4		2			4		1	18	212		113.00	175.00	
		Samuel's.	96	61		5		4							3	15	211		85.00	175.00	
		Grace.	80	70		2	2					1	16	3	1	13	82		102.00	150.00	
Vacant.		Trinity (Lewistown).	300	200	118	40	2	8	3	16	3	6	1	24	429	3			650.00	1850.00	
Vacant.		Susquehanna Charge.																			
		Grace.	78	61	35	8	1	1	2	5	2	13	1	1	1	17	80	28	144.00	520.00	
		Messiah.	31	28	26	1			2						1	13	76		67.00	122.00	
		St. John.	18																2.00		
Ministers, 23.			6164	5253	2288	230	20	149	104	39	143	113	103	34	61	994	8125	1097	9	\$13251.00	\$37371.00
Charges, 21.			Congregations, 65.																		
VII. Tohickon Classis—REV. T. C. BROWN, Stated Clerk.																					
Jacob Kehm.	Pottstown, Pa.	Without Charge.	516	379	76	11	17	29	12	5	8	15	5	1	1	36	374				
J. J. Rottrock	Lansdale, Pa.	St. John's, Lansdale.	458	372	330	33	3	31	10	13	7	11	2	3	30	512			\$ 1471.00	\$ 4268.00	
J. G. Dubbs.	South Bethlehem, Pa.	Friedens, Friedensville.	260	187	83	2				1	7	6		2	29	215			316.00	990.00	
C. B. Weaver	Ferndale, Pa.	St. Luke's, Nockamixon.	265	222	90	8	1	17	2		3	3	2	25	221			319.00	525.00		
Nockamixon Charge.		Solomon's, Kellers.	62	44	25	2				1				2	1	8	60		287.00	1279.00	
B. F. Luckenbill.		St. Paul's, Applebachsville.	364	336	160	12	3	12	6		2	7	2	1	35	209			64.00	405.00	
Indian Creek Charge.	Souderton, Pa.	Christ's, Indian Creek.	263	234	120	9	2	7						3	2	1	29	403	405.00	1427.00	
		Zwingli, Souderton.												5	1	35	209	1	490.00	1973.00	

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W. H. Mader.....	Easton, Pa.....	St. Peter's, S. Easton.....	381	290	150	23	6	1	1	1	8	6	3	1	1	28	253	70	1	\$ 394.00	\$2100.00
J. O. Lindaman.....	Perkasie, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	192	174	148	15	1	2	2	2	4	5	2	1	1	32	315	70	1	308.00	890.00
H. A. I. Benner.....	Quakertown, Pa.....	Christ's, Trumbauersville.....	184	153	130	5	1	6	2	1	2	4	5	2	1	17	76	64	1	76.00	362.00
Trumbauersville Charge.....		Jerusalem, Schlichter's.....	186	176	172	13	2	1	2	2	1	22	7	2	1	13	75	75	1	27.00	335.00
		Ridge Valley.....	577	406	290	45	20	7	18	11	87	4	1	1	1	28	448	75	1	691.00	4590.00
D. E. Clark.....	South Bethlehem, Pa.....	First Reformed, S. Bethlehem.....	384	348	175	16	4	2	1	5	5	2	1	2	1	26	178	178	1	459.00	975.00
I. O. Schell.....	Quakertown, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	195	187	100	2	3	7	5	1	1	4	1	1	1	18	215	19	2	310.00	765.00
S. E. Moyer.....	Perkasie, Pa.....	St. Peter's, Tunicum.....	95	65	51	3	8	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	15	115	70	1	54.00	250.00
Tunicum Charge.....	Allentown, Pa.....	Pres. Allentown Col. for Wom.....	112	79	77	8	11	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	12	160	79	1	79.00	350.00
W. F. Curtis.....	South Bethlehem, Pa.....	New Jerusalem, Apple's.....	125	82	87	9	3	10	5	6	2	7	2	1	1	13	216	161	1	161.00	1254.00
T. C. Brown.....		Grace, Fountain Hill.....	64	45	20	2	3	9	2	3	2	2	2	1	1	8	44	15	1	15.00	275.00
Fountain Hill Charge.....		Upper Tunicum.....	198	150	35	2	1	9	2	3	5	3	6	1	1	12	84	90	1	90.00	543.00
John W. Gilds.....	Easton, Pa.....	Christ's, Tunicum.....	305	203	140	7	5	3	5	3	3	3	2	1	1	26	305	105	2	5893.00	2774.00
Tinicum Charge.....	Riegelsville, Pa.....	St. John's, Riegelsville.....	451	319	190	13	5	16	6	2	2	5	2	1	1	28	339	106	2	673.00	3162.00
W. F. Kosman.....	Doylestown, Pa.....	Salem, Doylestown.....	571	511	244	20	10	16	18	5	13	14	5	3	1	50	490	24	1	1266.00	3846.00
I. Valmore Hetrick.....	Perkasie, Pa.....	St. Stephen's, Perkasie.....	241	160	156	30	1	13	4	7	3	1	2	1	1	22	230	24	1	225.00	882.00
Albert G. Peters.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Shiloh, Northampton Heights.....	365	254	120	15	1	17	3	1	1	1	8	2	1	10	95	90	1	199.00	760.00
T. C. Strock.....	Coopersburg, Pa.....	St. Paul's, Blue.....	146	102	30	6	6	6	2	2	4	4	3	1	1	25	400	90	1	84.00	450.00
T. M. Kressley.....		St. John's, Coopersburg.....	72	55	25	3	5	5	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	6	55	1	1	46.00	180.00
Coopersburg Charge.....		Zion's, Zion Hill.....	226	218	58	14	10	17	10	8	10	9	5	1	1	20	376	218	1	656.00	2315.00
George W. Spotts.....	Telford, Pa.....	Trinity, Telford.....	118	112	94	5	2	5	3	1	2	2	3	1	1	8	85	318	1	401.00	510.00
Telford Charge.....		Emanuel's, Leids.....	205	187	77	8	15	23	1	7	1	7	7	1	1	24	144	1	1	318.00	831.00
Charles E. Heltger.....	Blooming Glen, Pa.....	St. Peter's, Hilltown.....	233	193	95	1	5	14	3	7	1	6	1	1	1	26	127	35	1	351.00	743.00
Hilltown Charge.....		St. Luke's, Dublin.....	258	235	120	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	21	40	35	1	136.00	500.00
Wilbur J. Kohler.....	Richlandtown, Pa.....	Trinity, Springfield.....	232	174	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	302	65	1	161.00	600.00
Springfield Charge.....		St. John's, Richlandtown.....	216	149	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	190	110	1	121.00	573.00
George H. Miller.....	Durham, Pa.....	Durham.....	100	45	75	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	181	110	1	292.00	2584.00
Durham Charge.....		New Williams Township.....	607	485	315	15	2	13	5	2	4	14	9	2	1	32	517	115	1	1039.00	2144.00
Elam. J. Snyder.....	Quakertown, Pa.....	First Reformed, Quakert'n.....																			

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Lower Saucon Charge.....	Vacant.....	Christ's, Lower Saucon.....	230	150	200	8	2	1	10	4	11	3	4	8	2	1	20	125	\$330.00	\$ 875.00	
Christ, Hellertown.....		Christ, Hellertown.....	261	217	93	2	2	1	10	4	11	3	4	2	1	56	550	.....	387.00	670.00	
Sellersville.....	Vacant.....	Old Williams Township.....	42	35	12	8	2	16	4	10	2	1	5	8	1	29	310	.....	70.00	165.00	
S. F. Moyer, Supply.....		St. Paul's, Sellersville.....	366	347	180	8	2	16	4	10	2	1	1	1	1	21	275	.....	606.00	2538.00	
Wilbur J. Kohler.....		Heidelberg, Hatfield.....	105	102	50	5	5	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	10	100	.....	133.00	330.00	
M. Walter Ruprecht, Lic.....		Christ's, Springtown.....	25	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	
Princeton, N. J.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 27.....	Charges, 24.....	Congregations, 41.....	10255	8294	4713	376	56	345	134	98	137	245	175	56	45	939	9452	991	10	\$19266.00	\$62888.00	
VIII. Goshenhoppen Classis—REV. C. H. KEHM, Stated Clerk																						
L. Kryder Evans, D.D.....	Pottstown, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	433	331	251	21	27	3	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	19	239	.....	\$ 390.00	\$ 904.00
Eli Keller.....	Allentown, Pa.....	Salem, Oley.....	362	318	237	26	7	1	6	1	1	1	1	5	2	1	29	231	.....	697.00	1424.00
Isaac S. Stahr.....	Oley, Pa.....	Friedens, Friedensburg.....	101	72	40	7	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	48	.....	80.00	1214.00
		New Jerusalem.....	44	37	40	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	52	.....	54.00	136.00
Calvin M. DeLong.....	East Greenville, Pa.....	St. John's, Pricetown.....	1000	846	383	31	38	6	4	4	6	4	4	33	8	1	32	697	116	1	2713.00	3039.00
George W. Lutz.....	Pennsburg, Pa.....	New Goshenhoppen.....	435	356	205	22	12	5	3	2	5	3	2	4	1	30	456	.....	462.00	1705.00	
		Pennsburg.....	162	146	70	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	140	.....	199.00	565.00
		Christ.....	130	108	62	6	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	92	.....	194.00	365.00
George G. Greenawald.....	Boyetown, Pa.....	Good Shepherd.....	530	362	445	58	31	6	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	33	737	43	942.00	2025.00
James W. Blatt.....	Old Zionsville, Pa.....	Zionsville.....	419	299	163	21	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	222	.....	431.00	3700.00	
		Huff's.....	209	254	159	16	24	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	25	236	105	253.00	405.00
		St. Peter's.....	49	32	29	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	67	.....	8.00	69.00
Reuben S. Snyder.....	Schwensville, Pa.....	Heidelberg.....	336	270	88	4	2	9	3	2	2	2	3	1	1	21	261	.....	539.00	2700.00	
		St. James.....	215	176	75	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	217	36	1	270.00	1295.00
D. D. Brendle.....	Worcester, Pa.....	Wentz's.....	363	270	180	5	3	3	2	3	3	3	3	5	1	23	320	90	1	2600.00	2600.00	
		Christ.....	190	140	65	1	6	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	11	135	85	1160.00	1200.00
		Grace.....	56	45	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	115	.....	1708.00	140.00
T. H. Bachman.....	Spinnerstown, Pa.....	Trinity.....	426	342	176	16	14	20	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	21	381	.....	168.00	1963.00
		Chestnut Hill.....	68	64	37	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	134	79	188.00	418.00
C. H. Kehm.....	Pottstown, Pa.....	Zion's.....	533	392	525	22	8	3	1	5	15	7	3	1	3	21	279	35	549.00	3061.00	

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J. Hamilton Smith.....	Pottstown, Pa.....	Trinity.....	855	700	450	48	5	25	10	4	7	1	17	8	2	76	947	150	1	\$3751.00	\$8293.00
T. R. Brendle.....	Sumneytown, Pa.....	Old Goshenhoppen.....	248	175	150	9	2	2	2	4	3	4	4	2	1	18	151	56	1	2452.00	600.00
		Keebol's.....	237	160	128	4	20	1	3	4	4	4	4	4	1	28	205	44	1	550.00	575.00
		Sumneytown.....	220	135	156	10	7	5	3	4	3	7	9	1	14	115	60	1	397.00	2600.00	
George L. Roth.....	Royersford, Pa.....	First.....	225	194	75	4	6	3	10	2	3	3	3	1	22	318	...	...	1022.00	860.00	
H. J. Miller.....	Boyerstown, Pa.....	Falkner's Swamp.....	266	200	107	4	1	12	5	1	1	5	9	2	1	16	210	85	...	513.00	800.00
		St. Paul's.....	269	192	108	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	1	2	44	245	70	1	163.00	280.00
		Trinity.....	90	68	28	6	...	19	7	...	2	...	5	1	1	26	230	50	...	...	...
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 13.	Congregations, 28.	8662	6687	4367	373	35	268	110	33	76	35	201	72	32	674	7406	1221	7	\$19115.00	\$41616.00
IX. Lehigh Classis—REV. CHARLES F. ALTHOUSE, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																					
N. C. Schaeffer, L.L.D.....	546 W. James St., Lancaster...	Supt. Pub. Instruction.....	660	530	350	15	...	26	5	15	20	17	9	5	1	31	783	75	...	\$ 938.00	\$ 2584.00
Neri F. Peters, D.D.....	Slatington.....	St. John's, Slatington.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40.00	275.00
C. Ernest Wagner, Litt.D.....	134 N. Lime St., Lancaster...	Without Charge.....	90	70	25	2	...	6	1	...	...	...	6	...	1	3	29	...	...	138.00	835.00
M. H. Brensinger.....	Fleetwood.....	St. Paul's, Merztown.....	436	125	310	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	1	7	88	...	...	56.00	447.00
Fleetwood Charge.....		St. Paul's, Trexlerstown.....	140	165	80	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	1	6	79	...	...	...	...
George W. Richards, D.D.....	College Campus, Lancaster...	Maiden Creek.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. W. Deatrick, Sc.D.....	Kutztown.....	Prof. Theological Seminary.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. W. Knappenberger.....	Niantic, Conn.....	Prof. K. S. N. S.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
George B. Smith.....	Kutztown.....	Pastor of Congl. Charge.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maxatawny Charge.....		St. Paul's, Kutztown.....	477	365	209	14	2	20	6	...	7	10	5	2	1	13	187	...	...	377.00	3547.00
		Christ's, Bowers.....	326	239	225	12	2	...	...	...	1	...	9	1	2	31	231	...	...	682.00	850.00
		Zion's, Maxatawny.....	291	195	189	7	1	18	2	...	10	...	9	1	1	23	222	...	...	326.00	675.00
		St. Peter's, Topton.....	148	120	91	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	26	310	...	...	102.00	325.00
		St. John's, Kutztown.....	401	321	150	12	...	19	2	...	2	...	4	1	1	30	415	94	...	410.00	1094.00
Elmer H. Leinbach.....	Kutztown.....	St. Peter's.....	108	80	70	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	21.00	366.00
Kutztown Charge.....		St. Peter's.....	1150	910	577	57	...	25	14	22	11	68	12	4	1	34	967	197	...	2519.00	40572.00
Robert M. Kern.....	531 Chew St., Allentown.....	Allentown.....	651	531	433	27	...	28	8	4	10	6	16	6	6	130	804	42	2	590.00	1550.00
George P. Stem.....	Northampton.....	Egypt.....	88	70	38	11	...	8	...	...	1	7	2	1	1	100	...	...	...	60.60	250.00
Egypt Charge.....		St. John's, Laurys.....	3	10.00	...
		St. Paul's, Cementon.....	82	69	44	10	...	11	2	4	17	160	250.00

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H. L. Fogelman.....	800 Riverside Drive, N. Y.....	Without Charge.....	340	230	35	18	10	9	6	8	7	2	3	63	663	...	2	\$ 379.00	\$ 1272.00	
Thomas H. Krick.....	Coplay.....	Trinity, Coplay.....	260	190	18	22	10	8	10	10	6	1	1	33	312	36	...	218.00	600.00	
Coplay Charge.....		St. John's, Fullerton.....	400	312	250	42	16	4	10	3	11	7	5	130	702	...	...	363.00	1000.00
Richard S. Appel.....	Hamburg.....	Becker's St. Peter's.....	100	97	35	4	...	4	...	2	...	3	...	13	95	...	...	77.00	265.00
Lehighville Charge.....		Frieden's, Lehighville.....	133	120	35	4	...	5	...	4	...	3	...	1	23	121	...	54.00	378.00	
Oswill B. Wein.....	122 West St., Allentown.....	Without Charge.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. E. Kresge, Ph.D.....	611 N. 5th St., Allentown.....	Dubos Memorial.....	847	675	381	23	1	42	30	58	10	57	16	2	43	896	207	867.00	5695.00	
Theo. F. Herman, D.D.....	440 College Ave., Lancaster.....	Prof. Theological Seminary.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frederick C. Seitz, D.D.....	43 N. 8th St., Allentown.....	St. John's, Allentown.....	777	560	275	19	2	22	12	6	4	5	10	1	24	437	132	7747.00	10139.00	
H. M. J. Klein, Ph.D.....	548 W. James St., Lancaster.....	Prof. F. and M. College.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Philip H. Fogel, Ph.D.....	Fogelsville.....	Prof. Princeton University.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
William G. Siple, Ph.D.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Foreign Missionary.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frank P. Laros.....	Alburtis.....	Zion's, Lehigh.....	259	230	228	8	1	12	4	...	2	3	5	2	46	376	...	351.00	985.00	
Zion Charge.....		St. John's, Fogelsville.....	102	150	130	5	10	...	1	1	2	3	...	2	35	229	...	290.00	1755.00	
...	...	Weisenberg.....	114	106	45	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	158.00	375.00
...	...	St. Paul's.....	42	38	38	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	15	76	...	48.00	200.00
William L. Meckstorth.....	Mertztown, No. 1.....	Longswamp.....	563	425	345	17	26	...	1	8	...	14	2	2	35	235	...	357.00	1750.00	
Zeigel Charge.....		Ziegel.....	460	356	423	11	...	2	...	4	...	7	1	1	20	150	...	423.00	1200.00	
Charles F. Althouse.....	17 N. 2nd St., Allentown.....	Christ, Allentown.....	492	409	289	19	4	19	11	6	19	34	7	5	1	30	352	40	915.00	2964.00
Franklin H. Moyer.....	708 St. John St., Allentown.....	Grace, Allentown.....	210	190	200	20	12	...	8	5	25	4	5	1	32	464	41	667.00	2250.00	
J. J. Schaefer, Ph.D.....	126 1-2 N. F. Kn St., All nt n.....	Trinity, Allentown.....	477	403	215	18	1	23	8	8	12	6	2	1	34	626	111	494.00	4750.00	
James O. Oswald.....	Slatington.....	Unionville.....	846	681	374	26	...	3	10	3	6	4	2	4	82	509	293	816.00	1166.00	
Friedens Charge.....		Friedens.....	354	276	182	24	27	1	3	1	...	8	1	3	48	266	...	221.00	739.00	
Gustave A. Schwedes, D.D.....	Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	Slatedale.....	335	164	246	22	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	44	353	50	263.00	475.00
Elmer S. Noll.....	Lehighton.....	Without Charge.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Simon Sipple.....	41 N. 8th St., Allentown.....	Zion, Lehighton.....	1292	914	617	62	40	14	12	6	3	8	3	2	50	1500	71	2417.00	31490.00	
Frank A. Guth.....	Orefield.....	Zion, Allentown.....	1150	904	502	49	2	36	16	21	10	31	22	19	37	917	224	2828.00	6332.00	
Jordan Charge.....		Jordan.....	410	350	121	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	24	310	92.00	1000.00
...	...	Cedarville.....	131	108	60	1	...	3	...	2	...	6	1	1	18	239	...	89.00	800.00	
...	...	Morganland.....	131	94	55	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	30	104	104.00	475.00
D. E. Schaeffer.....	Emaus.....	St. John's, Emaus.....	501	312	204	25	3	34	7	2	3	8	3	1	39	983	153	398.00	2312.00	

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Salisbury Charge.....	35 N. 13th St., Allentown.....	New Jerusalem, W. Salisbury	233	200	103	4	15	1	3	1	3	7	12	1	1	24	98	\$ 269.00	\$ 614.00	
J. P. Bachman.....	New Tripoli.....	Emmanuel, Allentown.....	170	150	120	39	1	10	9	39	7	28	3	2	1	21	383	.....	.....	110.00	1200.00
Howard A. Althouse.....	Heidelberg.....	Ebenezer.....	334	272	134	16	21	6	1	6	3	3	5	2	1	35	281	.....	.....	512.00	1100.00
Heidelberg Charge.....	Lynnport.....	Heidelberg.....	333	288	134	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	2	4	102	511	300	.....	238.00	800.00
M. F. Klingaman.....	Jacksonville Charge.....	Jacob's.....	197	163	154	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	2	2	25	226	.....	.....	299.00	652.00
.....	.....	New Bethel.....	140	135	76	10	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	1	1	16	227	.....	.....	389.00	543.00
.....	.....	St. Peter's.....	91	78	53	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	1	31	170	.....	.....	452.00	400.00
.....	.....	Lowhill.....	100	106	67	4	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	18	132	.....	.....	331.00	681.00
Harry D. Houtz.....	Andreas.....	Zion's.....	378	158	150	24	1	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	4	52	436	.....	.....	157.00	700.00
Mahoning Charge.....	.....	Ben Salem's.....	241	162	95	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	4	56	361	.....	.....	156.00	530.00
.....	.....	St. Peter's.....	187	92	65	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	1	15	163	.....	.....	82.00	480.00
William F. Ginder.....	Summit Hill.....	St. Paul's, Summit Hill.....	270	179	190	18	11	1	54	.....	.....	.....	3	2	1	29	443	.....	.....	284.00	1616.00
Aaron Brumbaugh.....	Kempton.....	Bethel Zion, Grimsville.....	164	135	88	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	1	22	202	.....	.....	100.00	575.00
Grimsville Charge.....	.....	New Jerusalem, Dunkels.....	164	130	92	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1	1	22	165	.....	.....	56.00	625.00
.....	.....	New Jerusalem, Red Church.....	51	43	23	3	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	1	1	14	87	.....	.....	57.00	200.00
.....	.....	Frieden's, Wessersville.....	87	80	72	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1	1	23	143	.....	.....	183.00	600.00
Pierce E. Swope.....	Lansford.....	Emmanuel, Lansford.....	185	132	100	16	10	5	4	.....	.....	.....	7	3	1	15	211	.....	.....	35.00	2589.00
Joseph S. Peters.....	.....	St. James', Allentown.....	211	202	81	5	18	29	9	.....	.....	.....	3	1	1	23	283	95	.....	886.00	4260.00
George B. Hamm.....	19 S. Franklin St., Allentown.....	St. John's, Mahoning.....	158	74	93	2	15	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1	1	10	55	.....	.....	77.00	635.00
St. John's Charge.....	Packerton.....	Dinke Memorial.....	131	68	56	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	1	13	91	.....	.....	71.00	404.00
.....	.....	Christ, Packerton.....	71	45	43	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	11	101	.....	.....	27.00	321.00
J. M. C. Darms, D.D.....	136 N. 8th St., Allentown.....	Salem, Allentown.....	1706	1450	750	26	1	52	10	35	18	43	30	20	1	44	1632	190	.....	5052.00	25087.00
E. H. Laubach.....	Macungie.....	Solomon's, Macungie.....	372	290	165	14	2	7	5	1	5	20	4	.....	1	23	234	41	.....	336.00	2128.00
C. D. Kressley.....	Filbert Ave., S. Allentown.....	St. Mark's, S. Allentown.....	225	180	82	4	1	16	6	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	1	23	285	.....	.....	106.00	125.00
W. L. Meckstroth, Supply.....	Mertztown, No. 1.....	Zion, Windsor Castle.....	414	396	323	8	26	4	10	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	1	16	181	.....	.....	171.00	1500.00
W. L. Meckstroth, Supply.....	Mertztown, No. 1.....	St. Paul's, Smoke Church.....	56	48	39	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	300.00
E. E. Leimbach, Supply.....	Kutztown.....	St. Paul's, Fleetwood.....	293	200	174	3	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	3	1	41	644	.....	.....	146.00	450.00
Morris E. Schadt.....	.....	Licentiate.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Roethermal.....	.....	Licentiate.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. Edwin Kutz.....	Summit Hill.....	Licentiate.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 44.....	Charges, 32.....	Congregations, 66.....	22748	18500	12049	975	25	835	289	508	248	474	390	138	98	2030	23368	2392	12	837	635	00
Licentiates, 3.....	Excommunicated, 0.....	Minutes Wanted, 650.....	152982.00	

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X. Schuylkill Classis—REV. O. R. FRANTZ, Stated Clerk.																						
		Orwigsburg, Pa.....	310	286	187	24	1	11	1	3	7	6	10	1	1	30	366	64	\$	624.00	\$	1808.00
		Henry Leisse.....																				
		W. Donat.....																				
		Schuylkill Haven, Pa.....																				
		Cressona, Pa.....																				
		Bloomsburg, Pa.....																				
		Summit Station, Pa.....																				
		Dennis Sipple.....																				
		Pottsville.....																				
		Trinity.....																				
		St. John's.....																				
		Zion's.....																				
		Faith.....																				
		St. John's.....																				
		Emanuel.....																				
		First Reformed.....																				
		Schuylkill Haven, Pa.....																				
		Tamaqua, Pa.....																				
		Jesse M. Mengel.....																				
		Zion's.....																				
		Saint Clair, Pa.....																				
		E. Franklin Faust.....																				
		Saint Luke's.....																				
		Trinity.....																				
		Tamaqua, Pa.....																				
		L. M. Fetterolf.....																				
		Pottsville, Pa.....																				
		Schuylkill Haven, Pa.....																				
		Moses A. Kieffer.....																				
		Orwigsburg, Pa.....																				
		Arthur R. King.....																				
		Frieden's.....																				
		Christ.....																				
		St. Peter's.....																				
		Shenandoah, Pa.....																				
		Trinity.....																				
		Mahanoy City, Pa.....																				
		St. Paul's.....																				

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Charles A. Huyette.....	Tremont.....	St. Peter's.....	222	182	168	7	10	2	4	71	3	1	20	335	50			\$822.00	\$2555.00	
		Salem's.....	73	50	61	5			1	65		1	18	116				46.00	227.00	
		St. John's.....	55	40	50					18	2	1	8	75				42.00	240.00	
Vacant.....	Pine Grove, Pa.....	St. Peter's.....	90	82	65	12	15	5	2	4	14	1	3	13	235			149.00	506.00	
		St. Paul's.....	41	31	35	2		1		2			1	15	130				100.00	
Harry F. J. Ueberroth.....	Mahanoy City, Pa.....	Grace.....	185	145	130	7	9	9	4	6	1	1	11	86	33			256.00	289.00	
Arthur C. Thompson (Supply)	Tamaqua, Pa.....	Christ.....	51	47	28	10	5	1	4	8	3	2	1	8	80	25		40.00	614.00	
L. M. Fetterolf (Supply)	Pottsville, Pa.....	Frieden's.....	59	50	35	13			2		1		4	210			17.00	155.00		
*H. F. J. Ueberroth (Supply)	Mahanoy City, Pa.....	St. Peter's.....																		
*Lic. Sam. Edwin Lobach.....	Lancaster, Pa.....																			
Ministers, 21.	Charges, 18.	Congregations, 38	7862	6171	4686	432	14	379	127	62	180	130	42	38	696	9229	771	2	\$12775.00	\$58762.00
†Dismissed to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod.			*Last year's report. Excommunicated, 0. Minutes of Synod Wanted 292.																	
XI. Wyoming Classis—REV. JOHN C. SANDERS, Stated Clerk.																				
A. Houtz.....	Orangeville, Pa.....	Retired.....	382	226	130	25	23		2	8	4	13	8	1	27	315			\$ 172.00	\$1479.00
A. M. Masonheimer.....	Weatherly, Pa.....	Weatherly Charge.....	50	30	15		5				5		1	6	23			51.00	200.00	
		Salem's.....	20	18	12	2						2	1	3	28			46.00	110.00	
		St. John's.....																		
C. W. E. Siegel.....	York, Pa.....	Retired.....	675	475	275	28	25	12	5	4	6	13	1	38	583	164	1	1651.00	4451.00	
Sefton E. Stofflet.....	Hazleton, Pa.....	Emmanuel's.....																		
W. H. Loose.....	Selin's Grove, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	200	140	80	9	6		4	1		1	1	15	142	10		129.00	780.00	
William H. Herbert.....	Nanticoke, Pa.....	Zion.....	305	203	105	11	8	7	7	1	6	8	1	21	338	55	1	438.00	1390.00	
P. A. DeLong.....	Watsonstown, Pa.....	Watsonstown Charge.....	102	88	25	4	3	4	2		1		1	14	120	30		140.00	967.00	
		Trinity.....																		
		St. John's.....																		
W. C. Slough.....	Nesquehoning, Pa.....	Without Charge.....	455	283	255	13	6	13	7	1	4	6	1	28	391	108		810.00	242.00	
J. N. Bauman.....	Danville, Pa.....	Shiloh.....	131	102	70	10	5		2	2			2	1	16	117	20	108.00	659.00	
T. R. Dietz.....	75 Crut't Ave., Wilkes-Barre	St. Luke's.....	378	210	96	5	24	3		2	4	3	1	2	19	180		251.00	2570.00	
W. D. Stoyer.....	St. John's, Pa.....																			

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H. F. Dresbach, Ph.D.	Strawberry Ridge, Pa.	Emmanuel's, Strawberry Ridge Trinity.	210	169	112	3	3	1	1	1	1	2	6	3	1	20	180	\$ 353.00	\$1050.00
Henry G. Maeder	Philadelphia, Pa.	Emmanuel's.	90	70	69	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	70	...	...	170.00	530.00
Philip H. Hoover	Bloomsburg, Pa.	Without Charge.	319	270	90	6	1	14	5	2	10	3	3	2	1	49	414	62	...	601.00	1200.00
D. James Ely	Berwick, Pa.	Zwingli.	350	226	60	18	21	18	20	8	6	4	4	...	1	31	429	180	...	400.00	2500.00
S. F. Hartzel	Conyngham, Pa.	Conyngham Charge.	50	40	30	4	1	2	2	2	12	4	4	...	1	12	166	1	...	48.00	281.00
		Trinity.	212	150	140	15	7	6	...	6	41	4	1	...	1	24	313	3	...	116.00	1015.00
		Christ.	40	30	34	7	1	2	2	10	2	1	1	...	1	10	...	...	...	10.00	151.00
		St. Paul's.	105	85	55	5	7	2	6	3	15	2	...	...	1	26	172	50	1	154.00	1038.00
D. W. Bickler	Plymouth, Pa.	First.	150	93	40	4	...	...	...	1	4	1	4	...	1	19	170	131	...	204.00	666.00
A. M. Schaffner	Orangeville, Pa.	Orangeville Charge.	75	56	21	8	3	2	1	...	3	4	2	...	1	12	78	17	...	144.00	336.00
		Zion's.	109	84	26	8	9	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	1	17	115	34	1	223.00	814.00
		Orangeville	501	361	220	35	15	5	6	16	58	10	1	1	1	27	532	...	1	1289.00	2839.00
A. O. Bartholomew	Freeland, Pa.	St. John's.	60	50	8	1	4	...	3	...	...	...	2	...	1	17	144	...	...	116.00	501.00
D. W. Kerr	Fayette, N. Y.	Christ.	121	102	32	1	4	...	2	...	...	...	3	...	1	14	101	...	...	279.00	976.00
J. C. Sanders	Turbotville, Pa.	Paradise Charge.	188	142	54	3	1	4	...	1	...	...	4	...	1	24	127	...	...	293.00	1595.00
		Paradise.	93	87	35	6	1	6	10	20	2	4	...	1	1	15	190	22	...	145.00	1265.00
J. F. B. Griesemer	539 Willow St., Scranton.	Second.	68	60	45	5	1	3	4	13	5	2	...	...	1	12	133	...	...	170.00	800.00
E. A. G. Herman	824 Monroe Ave., Scranton.	Calvary.	136	134	61	5	...	1	1	1	2	2	...	...	1	16	152	...	...	144.00	455.00
Franklin W. Brown	Wapwallopen, Pa.	Wapwallopen Charge.	113	99	66	4	6	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	9	92	...	76.00	395.00
		St. Peter's.	77	61	47	2	1	7	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	20	114	...	...	107.00	355.00
		Emmanuel's.	30	27	9	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	14	66	...	...	24.00	75.00
		St. Mark's.	26	24	8	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	9	54	...	...	90.00	225.00
		Mt. Zion.	540	434	...	11	1	10	10	2	4	40	7	1	1	33	517	88	1	3032.00	5533.00
John Lentz	Milton, Pa.	St. John's.	260	175	161	12	34	13	25	9	23	1	4	1	1	24	344	52	...	925.00	1775.00
James E. Beam	253 Allen St., W. Hazleton.	Christ's Memorial.	490	350	256	17	1	20	15	4	23	112	1	36	469	122	...	1208.00	2506.00
J. Rauch Stein	499 S. Frick'n St., Wilkes-Barre.	First.																			

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J. J. N. Bauman, Supply	Danville, Pa.	Mansdale Charge.	109	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	151	151	\$29.00	\$205.00
W. D. Stoyer, Supply	St. John's, Pa.	St. John's	100	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	114	114	25.00	416.00
H. O. Bartholomew, Supply	Freeland, Pa.	St. John's on the Mount.	125	65	54	7	8	1	1	4	1	2	1	2	1	12	72	72	9.00	631.00
Vacant		Eckley, St. John's	10	9	5	21.00	30.00
		Nescopeck Charge																				
		Mount Zion.	55	31	22	3	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	1	1	17	175	...	...	76.00	651.00
		First.	70	55	60	11	...	...	...	2	8	...	1	2	1	16	155	...	...	37.00	621.00
		Overton Charge	100	76	42	3	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	9	113	25	...	...	40.00	545.00
		Redeemer.	71	62	23	2	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	7	63	...	...	...	...	315.00
		St. Paul's.	38	24	9	1	4	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20.00	110.00
		St. Peter's.																				
Ministers, 27.	Charges, 27.	Congregations, 44.	7804	5386	2403	352	50	303	117	115	145	359	117	53	44	772	8278	1175	6	\$13724.00	\$47516.00	
XII. Reading Classis—REV. THOMAS H. LEINBACH, Stated Clerk.																						
Henry Y. Stoner	439 Penn St., Reading, Pa.	Without Charge.																				
Henry K. Miller	Tokyo, Japan.	Missionary to Japan.																				
George W. Gerhard	West Reading, Pa.	West Reading Charge.																				
		St. James'	155	127	125	22	2	4	5	...	...	13	1	1	1	22	425	33	\$	25.00	\$ 1700.00
		Epler's.	235	228	109	11	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	28	132	...	...	...	90.00	500.00
		Hinnershitz.	266	234	89	7	...	22	2	...	...	6	1	1	39	151	...	...	...	20.00	2286.00
*D. L. Lefever.	Reading, Pa., R. F. D. No. 2.	Without Charge.																				
Rufus W. Miller, D.D.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Secretary S. S. Board.																				
James R. Brown.	Esterly, Pa.	Without Charge.																				
M. L. Herbein	1818 Perk. Ave., Reading	Spices Charge.																				
		Spices.	344	320	360	34	...	...	...	...	4	...	21	2	1	23	130	...	1	77.00	1500.00
		Trinity	177	150	228	22	...	16	1	...	3	...	7	4	1	18	205	...	...	50.00	824.00
		Bern.	230	220	213	17	...	...	...	...	...	17	1	1	12	118	...	...	...	31.00	380.00
		Shalter's.	128	108	77	8	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	1	9	61	...	...	...	15.00	205.00
F. Schaeffer, D.D.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Gen. Sec. Home Miss. Board.																				

EASTERN SYNOD—Reading Classis—Continued.

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			Communicants	Confirmed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes		
C. E. Cretz, D.D.	611 Walnut St., Reading.	St. Paul's Memorial.	969	650	225	22	3	12	7	16	17	16	1	1	64	749	60	\$10038.00	\$ 9833.00		
Thomas W. Dickert.	233 North 10th St., Reading.	St. Stephen's.	1311	877	651	61	5	51	16	16	19	17	1	1	108	1029	306	3441.00	4732.00		
J. F. Moyer, D.D.	611 Washington St., Reading.	First.	1558	1056	501	36	33	8	19	11	35	19	17	1	87	1270	81	4613.00	4500.00		
Thomas H. Leimbach	136 Clymer St., Reading.	St. John's.	814	629	400	40	3	28	11	4	3	19	7	4	1	64	608	330	782.00	3847.00	
A. V. Casselman.	731 North 4th St., Reading.	Calvary.	790	631	303	16	1	12	15	15	22	7	4	1	65	696	180	2982.00	9597.00		
Lee M. Erdman.	851 North 11th St., Reading.	St. Thomas.	760	535	520	38	1	35	16	19	9	18	4	1	76	775	63	1164.00	4988.00		
I. M. Beaver.	123 North 6th St., Reading.	Olivet.	145	100	125	8	1	6	7	3	3	1	5	1	29	197	69	166.00	1650.00		
Henry I. Stahr.	Mt. Penn, Pa.	Faith.	212	172	150	13	11	6	7	6	11	1	3	1	38	258	69	310.00	1993.00		
Scott R. Wagner.	453 Douglass St., Reading.	Second.	485	125	14	3	23	6	8	2	6	1	6	1	37	335	60	3900.00	5230.00		
K. John Stoudt.	Leesport, Pa.	Leesport Charge.																			
		Trinity.	210	215	120	10		2	1			8	3	1	32	310		148.00	800.00		
		St. John's.	300	235	130	16		1	1		7	1		1	16	94		100.00	700.00		
		St. Luke's.	150	135	95	9	1	2	1		4	1	1	1	26	275		69.00	1500.00		
		St. Timothy's.	33	33	15	4	1	9	1			3						15.00	150.00		
J. J. Lucian Roush.	Esterly, Pa.	Schwarzwalld Charge.																			
		Schwarzwalld.	640	450	220	16		3		4		11	3	6	109	764		1425.00	1276.00		
		St. Paul's.	59	48	35	1	4	1	1		1	1	1	1	19	88		49.00	313.00		
Charles F. Freeman.	Hamburg, Pa.	St. Paul's.	409	325	162	14		18	1		1	7	1	1	30	433		482.00	7165.00		
T. J. Hacker, D.D.	Wyomissing, Pa.	Wyomissing Charge.																			
		Bausman Memorial.	145	107	52	6		4	20		2	1	3	1	18	197	35	222.00	854.00		
Edwin H. Romig.		Christ, Temple	54	51	23	8	1	3	8		1			1	14	206	30	50.00	220.00		
Gustave R. Poetter.	Spruce & Miller Sts., Reading.	St. Andrew's.	931	735	500	23	4	30	31	5	50	2		1	110	927	20	1914.00	7909.00		
Vacant.	216 W. Gr'nwich St., Reading.	St. Mark's.	1468	1180	760	41		45	17	16	46	16	2	1	108	1161	232	2095.00	10178.00		
Stephen Buntz.	Hamburg, Pa.	Grace (Alsace).	1094	725	475	61	1	57	5	3	10	2	21	10	1	44	658	100	915.00	5378.00	
Robert M. Adam, Lic.	6th & Chestn't Sts., Reading.	Without Charge.																			
John R. Hahn, Lic.	425 North 5th St., Reading.																				
Ministers, 25.	Charges, 18.	Congregations, 28.	14104	10764	6861	583	26	419	188	115	115	246	232	66	32	1236	12252	1629	5	\$35191.00	\$80212.00
*Died April 26, 1917.																					

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II. OHIO SYNOD.

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			Communicants	Comuned	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
I. Miami Classis—FREDERICK W. HOFFMAN, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																						
Vacant.....	Arcanum, Ohio.....	Arcanum.....	140	110	18	4	3	5	4		4				1	18	175			\$ 475 00	\$ 875 00	
J. F. Tapy.....	Xenia, Ohio, R. R. 7.....	Beaver Creek, Beaver.....	130	120	24	3	5	6	1	2	3		2		1	20	200			500 00	900 00	
J. F. Tapy.....	Xenia, Ohio, R. R. 7.....	Beaver Creek, Mt. Zion.....	60	43	7	1	3	4		3	1		1		1	12	82			540 03	791 00	
G. W. Wolf.....	Phoneton, Ohio.....	Bethel.....	80	55					3				2		1	10	60			100 00	2000 00	
Vacant.....	Xenia, Ohio.....	Caesarcreek, Maple Corner.....	79	60											1	13	102			205 00	500 00	
Vacant.....	Xenia, Ohio.....	Caesarcreek, Hawks.....	611	440		5	3	4	6	3	17	43	6		1	37	348		30	1303 00	4563 00	
W. A. Hale, D.D.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton, First.....	545	370	65	7	4	11	21	5	8	10	6		1	32	543		31	1350 00	4700 00	
N. B. Mathes.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton, Trinity.....	308	266	4	4	8	6	2	11	25	4			1	49	381		52	1206 00	3108 00	
H. B. Deifenbach.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton, Fourth.....	515	418	144	25	23	23	21	20	11	45	8	2	1	43	620		109	1751 00	4356 00	
O. W. Haulman.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton, Memorial.....	100	92	29	8	7	2	5	6	6	1	3		1	18	220		26	288 00	944 00	
F. A. Shults.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Ohmer Park, Dayton.....	63	46	15	4	3	0	3	12	3	1			1	18	198		24	382 00	407 00	
C. G. Beaver.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Dayton, Heidelberg.....	173	150	32	4	2	7	4	2	6		4		1	25	208		33	274 00	576 00	
J. C. Schulz.....	Fairfield, Ohio.....	Fairfield, Trinity.....	117	90	15	2	3	6	1				3		1	15	105			149 00	357 00	
E. M. Beck.....	Farmersville, Ohio.....	Farmersville, Farmersville.....	123	119	27	2	3	5	5		1		3		1	21	212		43	445 00	700 00	
E. M. Beck.....	Farmersville, Ohio.....	Farmersville, Silfers.....	143	133	23	2	3	5		2	5	8	3		1	21	230		50	374 00	613 00	
H. L. V. Shinn.....	Germanatown, Ohio.....	Germanatown, St. John's.....	259	207	15	5	1	6					2		1	20	160			750 00	3550 00	
H. L. V. Shinn.....	Germanatown, Ohio.....	Germanatown, Salem.....	84	64	10	1	2	10					2		1	10	42			83 00	217 00	
Vacant.....	Greenville, Ohio.....	Greenville, St. Paul's.....	158	102	42	3	5	8	12		3		3		1	20	249		45	414 00	3110 00	
A. Tomcsanyi.....	Hamilton, Ohio.....	Hamilton, First.....	284	185	2	2	6	6	8		15		1		1	28	404		52	820 00	3203 00	
Vacant.....	Hillsboro, Ohio.....	Highland, Mt. Calvary.....	45	30			6				1		1		1	9	8			44 00	550 00	
Vacant.....	Hillsboro, Ohio.....	Highland, Mt. Zion.....	32	30	9										1	11				10 00	315 00	
Albert S. Glessner.....	Greenville, Ohio.....	Hillgrove.....	115	85		2	14	4	6	1	4		2		1	11	129			26 00	182 00	
Albert S. Glessner.....	Greenville, Ohio.....	Hillgrove, East Zion.....	87	67		1	13	6	7	1			1		1	13	171			60 00	270 00	
Albert S. Glessner.....	Greenville, Ohio.....	Hillgrove, West Zion.....	57	40	5	1	2	1	1		7	12	1		1	12	65			60 00	289 00	
Albert S. Glessner.....	Greenville, Ohio.....	Hillgrove, Beech Grove.....	63	43	1	1	3	1	1	2	1		2		1	12	84		30	131 00	1141 00	
A. H. W. Hoshauer.....	Springfield, Ohio, R. 7.....	Lawrenceville, Mt. Pisgah.....	151	116	43	3			4				2		1	22	241			17 00	500 00	
A. H. W. Hoshauer.....	Springfield, Ohio, R. 7.....	Lawrenceville, Mt. Cavalry.....	106	88	34	2		2			8	7	3		1	18	131			17 00	500 00	
H. N. Kerst.....	Miamisburg, Ohio.....	Miamisburg, First.....	575	500	110	23	3	14	18	1	8	10	10	3	1	39	540		130	1005 00	5220 00	
Vacant.....	Hamilton, Ohio.....	Millville.....	109	78											1	12	40					

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
Vacant.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Mt. Carmel.....	631	51	.....	4	3	7	9	2	4	1	2	1	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 60.00	400.00
Vacant.....	Portland, Ind., R. 8.....	New Pittsburgh, Grace.....	23	15	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	300.00
Vacant.....	Portland, Ind., R. 8.....	New Pittsburgh, St. Paul's.....	90	70	10	2	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	23	210	.....	.....	.....	.....	400.00
Vacant.....	Portland, Ind., R. 8.....	New Pittsburgh, Salamonia.....	114	73	13	4	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	20	185	.....	.....	.....	.....	500.00
F. W. Hoffman.....	Springfield, O., Plum St.....	Springfield, Grace.....	213	144	66	5	4	16	8	5	3	4	4	1	25	198	56	72.00	5977.00	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Springboro, Ohio.....	Springboro.....	58	47	10	4	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	95	.....	150.00	513.00	.....	.....
J. H. Albright.....	St. Paris, Ohio.....	St. Paris, First.....	100	50	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	10	20	.....	30.00	300.00	.....	.....
J. H. Albright.....	St. Paris, Ohio.....	St. Paris, Zion.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. C. Paul.....	Maplewood, Ohio.....	Trinity, Bloom Center.....	30	28	8	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	30	.....	19.00	459.00	.....	.....
J. C. Paul.....	Maplewood, Ohio.....	Trinity, Bethel.....	27	27	10	.....	3	.....	10	5	2	4	.....	1	10	26	.....	32.00	402.00	.....	.....
J. C. Paul.....	Maplewood, Ohio.....	Trinity, Zwander's.....	50	48	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2	.....	1	12	50	.....	178.00	438.00	.....	.....
S. U. Snyder.....	North Hampton, Ohio.....	Union, North Hampton.....	122	114	.....	1	17	5	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	20	191	.....	240.00	655.00	.....	.....
S. U. Snyder.....	North Hampton, Ohio.....	Union, Jerusalem.....	111	109	5	6	13	2	.....	5	.....	3	.....	1	22	167	.....	150.00	432.00	.....	.....
S. U. Snyder.....	North Hampton, Ohio.....	Union, Grace.....	44	37	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	5	1	.....	1	15	72	26	64.00	210.00	.....	.....
S. U. Snyder.....	North Hampton, Ohio.....	Union, Emmanuel.....	28	28	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	1	8	44	.....	43.00	259.00	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Valley, David's.....	206	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	17	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Valley, Zion.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Miller.....	West Alexandria, Ohio.....	West Alexandria, St. John's.....	156	151	40	3	1	4	.....	1	.....	3	2	1	26	162	15	210.00	775.00	.....	.....
J. W. Miller.....	West Alexandria, Ohio.....	West Alexandria, Johnsville.....	130	123	27	3	.....	5	.....	1	.....	6	4	1	22	152	.....	170.00	410.00	.....	.....
Vacant.....	West Alexandria, Ohio.....	West Alexandria, Lewisburg.....	102	91	20	2	4	4	.....	1	.....	5	2	1	18	103	.....	125.00	350.00	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Xenia, Ohio.....	Xenia, First.....	405	271	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	.....	.....	1	27	315	15	830.00	3351.00	.....	.....
Alfred Ankeny.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Missionary.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Bachly, D.D.....	Chicago, Illinois.....	Prof. Central Theo. Seminary.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henry J. Christman, D.D.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. E. Dingledine.....	Arcanum, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. J. Hill.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Joab Y. Kombar, Lic.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. B. Reagle.....	Mt. Bethel, Pa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
L. H. Rice.....	Hamilton, Pa.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. F. Shultz.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
George Stibitz, D.D.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Prof. Central Theo. Seminary.....
David Van Horne, D.D.....	Amsterdam, N. Y.....	Prof. Em. Cen. Theo. Sem.....

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Philip Vollmer, D.D.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Prof. Central Theo. Seminary	7582	5784	901	150	139	234	170	92	146	205	112	21	49	924	8226	801	5	\$15255.00	\$60604.00
Clement Vollmer, Ph.D., Lic.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....																				
D. E. Werner.....	Piqua, Ohio.....	Prof. Central Theo. Seminary																			
F. S. Zaugg.....	Decatur, Illinois.....																				
Alvin S. Zerbe, D.D.....	Dayton, Ohio.....																				
Ministers, 36.	Charges, 30.	Congregations, 47.																			
II. Lancaster Classis—J. J. GRUBER, Stated Clerk.																					
E. E. Zechiel.....	Stoutsville, Ohio.....	Stoutsville Charge.....	159	131	40	6	1	2	2	3	3	2	1	1	26	214	20	1	\$	912.00	\$ 1359.00
		Heidelberg.....	45	40	17	1	4							1	9	30			94.00	325.00	
		Mt. Carmel.....																			
E. Bruce Jacobs.....	Thornville, Ohio.....	Thornville Charge.....	227	206	31	7	4	7	5	3	2	3	1	1	30	240	34		2265.00	1534.00	
		Trinity.....	22	20	2										6	30			89.00	154.00	
		Grace.....	265	213	49	3	1	3	9	3	6	6		1	18	190	28		1103.00	3275.00	
Melvin E. Beck.....	1261 Fair Ave., Columbus, O.....	Wilson Avenue.....	290	257	56	2	2	1	5	7	3	12	7	1	24	360	42		500.00	1130.00	
John J. Gruber.....	Basil, Fairfield Co., Ohio.....	Basil Charge.....	178	140	14								2	1	14	102		150.00	500.00		
		Mt. Zion.....	220	181	85	21	1	8	4	3	16	2	1	1	21	294		637.00	2659.00		
E. E. Engle.....	733 E. Wheeling, Lancaster.....	Grace.....																			
S. Ream, Elected.....	Canal Winchester, Ohio.....	Zion's Charge.....	60	49	31								1	1	14	85		5.00	284.00		
		Salem.....	67	35	27	1	2	2		3			1	1	14	70		5.00	130.00		
		Zion.....																			
		Kinniknick Charge.....																			
		Jerusalem.....	28	20		1							2	1	11	81			200.00		
		Salem.....	60	40			5			3		3		3	10	74		100.00	700.00		
William Troup, Elected.....	Canal Winchester, Ohio.....	David's.....	240	186	46	2		3	1	1	30	4	1	1	28	265	44		1027.00	1092.00	
Vacant.....		Sugar Grove Charge.....																			
		Bethel.....	138	104	50	1					3	4	3	1	23	145	18		158.00	500.00	
E. E. Naragon.....	Somerset, Ohio.....	Glenford Charge.....																			
		St. Paul's.....	125	122	35	4	1	1		2	13		1	1	20	152		350.00	630.00		
		Zion's.....	80	77	15	1	2	2				2	1	1	11	82		190.00	355.00		
		Somerset.....	40	40	15	3		1			1		1	1	10	48		85.00	196.00		

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			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Roll Incl. and Cradle Roll Incl.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes		
Edward G. Klotz..... D. Emerson Tobias. [Elected]	Delaware, Ohio..... Baltimore, Ohio.....	Delaware..... Union Charge..... St. Michael's..... St. Jacob's..... St. Peter's..... Rushville Charge.....	250 108 72 63	185 100 56 43	40 35 25 33	3 5 1 3	3 1 1 3	11 1 1 3	4 1 1 3	5 1 1 3	6 2 1 1	6 2 1 1	4 2 1 1	4 2 1 1	1 1 1 1	22 18 14 12	210 134 81 78	33 107.00 48.00 47.00	\$ 450.00 450.00 425.00 318.00	\$ 1850.00 450.00 425.00 318.00	
David Lockart.....	Bremen, Ohio.....	Jerusalem..... Mt. Zwingli..... Colfax..... Rushville..... Without Charge..... Without Charge..... Without Charge.....	92 55 33 14	76 55 28 19	4 4 2 2	4 4 3 2	8 5 2 1	2 1 1 7	1 1 1 1	12 10 9 9	130 62 45 34	61	138.00 325.00 285.00 260.00	474.00 325.00 285.00 260.00
J. J. Leberman, D.D..... S. B. Yockey, D.D..... M. Loucks, D.D..... Jos. Hefey, D.D.....	Sugar Grove, Ohio..... Kingston, Ohio..... Canal Winchester, Ohio..... Canal Winchester, Ohio.....	Without Charge..... Without Charge..... Without Charge..... Without Charge.....	
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 13.	Congregations, 25.	235	238	63	28	65	43	22	41	99	43	7	25	406	3245	283	1	\$ 8460.00	\$19410.00		
III. Tuscarawas Classis—J. THEODORE BUCHER, Stated Clerk.																						
George W. Good..... John O. Reagle, D.D..... Harry J. Rohrbach..... George Longaker..... Harry N. Spink..... William S. Adams..... F. E. Zechel..... Herman Beck..... *J. H. Steele, D.D..... Joseph C. Smith..... J. Theodore Bucher..... Oliver P. Foust..... Emil P. Herbruck.....	1611 Englew'd Av., E. Akron..... 312 E. Buchtel Av., Akron..... 115 Park Ave., Akron, O..... Akron, Ohio..... 642 Johnston St., Akron, O..... 361 W'ster Ave., Akron, O..... Apple Creek, Ohio..... Barberton, Ohio..... Massillon, Ohio..... Canal Fulton, Ohio..... 916—23 St., N. W., Canton..... Canton, Ohio..... Canton, Ohio.....	East Market Street..... Grace..... Miller Avenue..... Trinity..... Willard..... Wooster Avenue..... St. Peter's..... First..... North Brewster Reformed..... Salem..... Grace..... Lowell..... Trinity.....	225 1020 315 530 61 563 236 173 53 205 163 98 1582	175 825 291 515 50 510 195 152 45 180 150 98 1025	85 210 105 180 35 210 122 50 150 196 103 291	11 15 18 16 15 12 4 5 4 15 15 10 28	5 11 16 16 4 28 3 3 3 3 3 11	13 32 35 45 7 33 11 4 10 6 15	16 14 16 66 4 10 6 6 2 3 18	17 8 7 22 4 5 6 7 3 4 50	6 27 9 8 9 19 7 4 5 3 3 15	4 8 16 5 2 5 6 4 3 3 3 19	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	28 1153 65 45 11 17 27 135 8 157 34 131 207	321 135 135 84 202 56 23 122 122 122	\$ 777.00 8694.00 1177.00 1332.00 138.00 1755.00 369.00 429.00 106.00 241.00 525.00 17.00 5321.00	\$ 3325.00 9815.00 3332.00 5140.00 332.00 3750.00 2665.00 1600.00 501.00 829.00 1208.00 86.00 10000.00				

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Jesse H. String.....	3102 Riverside Ave., Cleveland.	Eighth.....	251	247	61	22	6	6	6	5	9	4	9	1	1	37	416	53	2	\$1793 00	\$7408 00
Owen G. King.....	1862 E. 66th St., Cleveland	Hough Avenue.....	185	150	88	1	1	3	2	5	2	20	1	1	1	27	232	82		1001 00	2510 00
Andrew J. Bartlett.....	R. F. D., Shelby, Ohio.....	Ganges.....	91	75	6										1	19			75 00	445 00	
William S. Fisher.....	Hartville, Ohio.....	Christ's.....	237	188	49	9			5			3	3	1	1	22	282	1	759 00	1077 00	
William S. Fisher.....	Hartville, Ohio.....	St. Jacob s.....	167	143	37	5						4	9	3	1	22	117		691 00	545 00	
*William S. Fisher.....	Hartville, Ohio.....	Randolf.....	21	20	12	1						3	7						69 00	53 00	
Earl M. Ammeschansly.....	Kenmore, Ohio.....	Goss Memorial.....	135	125	17	4	8	31	11	5	9	1	15	1	36	53	36		234 00	1960 00	
Vacant.....		**Grace.....																			
Vacant.....	Loyal Oak, Ohio.....	**Mt. Zwingl.....																			
Vacant.....	Loyal Oak, Ohio.....	Trinity.....	85	82	1	1	1	9			3			1	20	125			188 00	280 00	
Vacant.....	Manchester, Ohio.....	**St. Peter's.....																			
Vacant.....	Manchester, Ohio.....	**Good Hope.....																			
Vacant.....	Manchester, Ohio.....	St. Michael.....	85	75		2					9	18	1	1	11			1	171 00	500 00	
Vacant.....	Marshallville, Ohio.....	Emanuel.....	57	43	10	2			3			4	1	9				60 00	275 00		
Joseph P. Alden.....	Marshallville, Ohio.....	First.....	137	118	45	6			2	1	9	26	4	1	20	187			313 00	1208 00	
Vacant.....	Massillon, Ohio.....	**Christ's (Mohican).....																			
Vacant.....		**Trinity (Mohican).....																			
Vacant.....		**St. Jacob s (Mohican).....																			
Charles E. Stoner.....	Navarre, Ohio.....	**Richville (Navarre).....																			
Charles E. Stoner.....	Navarre, Ohio.....	**Sherman (Navarre).....																			
Charles E. Stoner.....	Navarre, Ohio.....	**Smoketown (Navarre).....																			
Reuben S. Beaver.....	New Berlin, Ohio.....	Zion.....	389	330	25	13	4	14	12	6	7	5	3	2	1	36	397	50	1208 00	5576 00	
David S. Miller.....	R. F. D. 8, Wooster, Ohio.....	Grace (Reedsburg).....	50	52	10						5	5	1	16	106		205 00		440 00		
David S. Miller.....	R. F. D. 8, Wooster, Ohio.....	Emanuel (Reedsburg).....	100		13	3	3	4	2	4			1	16	104		77 00		333 00		
David S. Miller.....	R. F. D. 8, Wooster, Ohio.....	Menes (Reedsburg).....																			
Charles F. Brouse.....	Shelby, Ohio.....	Shelby Reformed.....	200	160	63	8	2	11	2	2		18	5	1	26	212	21		512 00	1850 00	
Charles I. Lau.....	R. F. D. 5, Massillon, Ohio.....	Starwood (Tuscarawas).....	115	92	20						3			1	14	117	77		81 00	696 00	
Charles I. Lau.....	R. F. D. 5, Massillon, Ohio.....	Sixteen (Tuscarawas).....	63	45	25		1					6	3	1	11	81	33		140 00	325 00	
Charles I. Lau.....	R. F. D. 5, Massillon, Ohio.....	Myers (Tuscarawas).....	64	30	8				1						13	121	39		36 00	716 00	
Charles I. Lau.....	R. F. D. 5, Massillon, Ohio.....	Cross Roads (Tuscarawas).....	63	50	20							6		1	1	13	86		48 00	134 00	
Edgar S. Hassler.....	Lake, Ohio.....	Uniontown (Uniontown).....	145	140	15				1			3	4	5	1	1	20	162		310 00	803 00
Edgar S. Hassler.....	Lake, Ohio.....	Suffield (Uniontown).....	115	106	16	1						2	6	2	1	16	125		356 00	654 00	

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					Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Depts. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
			Lakers, Ohio.....		64	55	18	1	3	9	1	1	17	35	335	65	...	\$ 80.00	\$ 337.00				
			Wadsworth, Ohio.....		465	420	60	2	11	9	1	3	1	1	35	335	65	...	1582.00	...			
			Vacant.....		83	83	...	3	19	134	65	...	175.00	300.00			
			West Salem, Ohio.....		108	108	1	160	24	...	200.00	500.00			
			West Salem, Ohio.....		28	28	10	40	75.00	100.00			
			24 E. North St., Wooster, O.....		280	280	73	7	4	6	15	2	8	12	3	14	1	33	413	69	2	1170.00	2280.00
Ministers, 39.....			Charges, 32.....		9023	7396	2305	289	123	324	200	195	223	260	113	45	36	901	10421	1226	8	\$ 822990.00	\$74118.00
John H. Bomberger, D.D., Cleveland, O.—Editor of The Christian World, Lic. William Devert, Canton, O.—Assistant Trinity Reformed Church, Canton, O. David W. Ebert, D.D., Barberton, O. L. C. Edmonds, R. F. D., Creston, O. William E. Foltz, Akron, O. Myron E. Graber, Clinton Ave., Tiffin, O.—Prof. of Physics, Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O. Samuel E. Long, Cleveland, O. Samuel E. Snepp, Assistant in Support Department, Ohio State Board of Charities, Columbus, O. Phloa W. Snyder, Wooster, O. Harvey S. Stoner, Massillon, O.—Evangelist. J. Grant Walter, Cleveland, O. Edwin R. Willard, D.D., 115 Park Ave., Akron, O. *Supply. **No report received.																							
IV. Tiffin Classis—ALBERT C. SHUMAN, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																							
A. C. Shuman, D.D..... Tiffin.....																							
D. W. Loucks..... Tiffin.....																							
Edgar V. Loucks..... Bellevue.....																							
Otto J. Zechel..... Bloomville.....																							
John F. Kerlin, D.D..... Fremont.....																							
J. P. Stahl, D.D..... Sycamore.....																							
Jas. S. Freeman..... Fostoria.....																							
J. H. Horning..... Toledo.....																							
Louis Bogar..... Upper Sandusky.....																							
William A. Alspach..... Lima.....																							
D. M. Christman..... Hope.....																							
W. H. Shults..... Payne.....																							
Morgan A. Peters..... Kenton.....																							
Morgan A. Peters..... Kenton.....																							
H. H. Casselman..... Clyde, R. 3.....																							
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Zoar.....																							
307 84 9 9 4																							

IV. Tiffin Classis—ALBERT C. SHUMAN, Stated Clerk.

A. C. Shuman, D.D.....	Tiffin.....	First.....	350	307	84	9	4	4	4	2	50	15	...	1	21	425	2	\$ 1266.00	\$ 2548.00
D. W. Loucks.....	Tiffin.....	Grace.....	312	300	90	5	2	9	30	2	3	1	3	1	30	410	30	1017.00	2962.00
Edgar V. Loucks.....	Bellevue.....	St. Paul.....	584	484	177	16	6	9	12	4	9	3	5	2	1	290	611	2324.00	2271.00
Otto J. Zechel.....	Bloomville.....	Bloomville.....	240	231	75	10	2	4	...	3	1	4	...	1	20	254	20	430.00	1575.00
John F. Kerlin, D.D.....	Fremont.....	First.....	232	227	105	9	6	13	5	1	3	7	...	1	21	217	28	201.00	1356.00
J. P. Stahl, D.D.....	Sycamore.....	Sycamore.....	251	168	33	1	5	6	...	3	6	3	...	1	27	362	23	472.00	11400.00
Jas. S. Freeman.....	Fostoria.....	First.....	250	171	70	12	3	16	15	2	11	8	...	1	32	213	35	343.00	2318.00
J. H. Horning.....	Toledo.....	Grace.....	271	227	95	7	4	8	5	9	8	3	1	1	28	322	...	620.00	3508.00
Louis Bogar.....	Toledo.....	Hungarian.....	499	430	64	1	1	1	...	1	1	23	1	1	9	192	36	290.00	732.00
Louis Bogar.....	Upper Sandusky.....	Emanuel.....	125	95	40	1	1	...	...	3	2	1	1	14	170	...	...	90.00	4200.00
William A. Alsopach.....	Lima.....	Calvary.....	219	174	50	4	5	4	5	4	1	1	1	21	220	58	3416.00	829.00	3416.00
D. M. Christman.....	Payne.....	Hope.....	115	98	30	4	...	3	3	10	2	...	...	1	17	31	29	191.00	725.00
W. H. Shurtis.....	Kenton.....	St. Jacob.....	140	98	56	10	2	...	2	2	1	1	1	16	140	...	236.00	1018.00	1018.00
Morgan A. Peters.....	Kenton.....	First Church.....	245	213	78	15	2	6	4	10	2	3	14	2	21	214	181	515.00	3637.00
Morgan A. Peters.....	Kenton.....	Salem.....	100	100	34	5	11	1	3	2	1	5	...	15	145	37	158.00	3500.00	3500.00
H. H. Casselman.....	Clyde, R. 3.....	Zion.....	160	143	52	6	7	3	4	1	1	2	...	1	14	157	...	387.00	840.00
H. H. Casselman.....	Clyde, R. 3.....	Zoar.....	64	50	12	1	4	2	1	12	65	...	139.00	302.00

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			Communicants	Confirmed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
D. A. Parks.....	Tiffin.....	Jacobs.....	210	150	35	4	1	6	6	6	2	20	150	\$100 00	\$700 00
D. A. Parks, supply.....	Tiffin.....	Glades.....	25	24	3	7	30	50 00	150 00
D. A. Parks, supply.....	Tiffin.....	Bascom.....	110	80	35	11	6	4	2	3	2	1	19	145	14	.....	.....	150 00	500 00
J. Albert Law.....	McCutchenville.....	Trinity.....	135	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	40	.....	.....	.....	20 00	392 00
.....	Ada.....	St. Paul.....	117	111	40	4	3	12	3	1	24	2	15	172	.....	.....	.....	102 00	500 00
.....	.....	Heidelberg.....	48	42	25	4	9	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	9	60	.....	.....	.....	69 00	130 00
.....	Carrothers.....	Carrothers.....	50	50	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	34 00	520 00
.....	.....	Chatfield.....	22	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120 00
W. H. Tussing.....	Tiffin.....	Bettsville.....	39	39	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	58	.....	.....	.....	93 00	309 00
.....	.....	Ft. Seneca.....	61	54	10	2	2	6	6	1	14	1	15	64	.....	.....	.....	32 00	558 00
G. H. Souder, D.D.....	Lindsay.....	Lindsay.....	61	54	30	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	18	135	29	.....	.....	95 00	925 00
.....	.....	Hessville.....	66	51	24	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	50	.....	.....	.....	75 00	300 00
.....	.....	Four Mile.....	36	31	10	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	70	.....	.....	.....	65 00	275 00
.....	.....	Salem.....	44	24	21	3	2	1	2	8	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	119 00
.....	.....	Union.....	55	53	.....	1	14	8	16	.....	.....	.....	9	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	130 00
Ministers, 19.....	Charges, 23.....	Congregations, 32.....	5316	4407	1351	20	568	142	134	41	171	128	89	31	577	523	1647	4	\$10533 00	\$42216 00
V. Eastern Ohio Classis—J. W. Geier, Stated Clerk.																				
L. J. Rohrbach.....	North Lima, Ohio.....	Mt. Olivet.....	301	268	78	5	4	11	8	21	8	12	5	1	23	257	\$ 1280 00	\$ 812 00
J. P. Stahl, D.D.....	Alliance, Ohio.....	*Immanuel.....	181	137	132	1	4	13	18	7	12	10	1	1	20	260	56	1016 00	1986 00
J. P. Stahl, D.D. (Supply).....	Alliance, Ohio.....	Science Hill.....	50	46	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	70	.....	165 00	530 00
G. P. Fisher, (Supply).....	138 Belmont St., Warren, O.....	First.....	174	150	65	6	.....	11	5	12	1	3	1	25	9	15	.....	420 00	2083 00
G. P. Fisher, (Supply).....	138 Belmont St., Warren, O.....	Town Line.....	18	18	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	135 00
G. W. Beaver.....	Lisbon, O.....	St. Jacob's.....	181	147	18	3	4	4	4	16	4	4	1	16	18	40	.....	586 00	1300 00
G. V. Walker.....	Germano, Ohio.....	St. Peter's.....	126	100	35	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	10	.....	.....	193 00	1500 00
J. W. Geier.....	Carrollton, Ohio.....	Trinity.....	190	170	50	6	1	6	6	3	20	2	1	1	22	25	.....	416 00	954 00
J. W. Geier.....	Carrollton, Ohio.....	Harsh.....	50	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	45	.....	40 00	375 00
I. Rothenberger.....	Petersburg, Ohio.....	Old Springfield.....	185	165	21	9	5	2	11	1	1	17	170	230 00	913 00	

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			Communicants	Committed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
I. Rothenberger	Petersburg, Ohio.	Salom.	77	68	22	3	1	2	2	1	7	1	1	1	1	10	95			\$ 199.00	\$ 292.00	
E. D. Wettach, D.D.	Youngstown, O., R. D. 4	Bethlehem—Third.	84	60	25	3	7	14	62	11	2		1	1	1	16	191			126.00	1823.00	
Vacant.	Lisbon, Ohio.	Trinity.	90	87	13								2		1	1	69	25		81.00	250.00	
H. F. Dibble.	West Farrington, Ohio.	St. John's.	50	48	42									1	1	6	12			25.00	546.00	
John M. Kendig, D.D.(Supply)	Canfield, Ohio.	North Jackson.	83	32											1	12	86			72.00	545.00	
John M. Kendig, D.D.(Supply)	Canfield, Ohio.	Zion.	60	42							1	1	2	1	3	45				13.00	163.00	
John M. Kendig, D.D.(Supply)	Canfield, Ohio.	Austintown.	32												1							
John C. Gekeler.	Louisville, Ohio.	Paradise.	465	440	130	6	7	17	6	8	9	7	1	1	1	28	477			1330.00	2323.00	
John C. Gekeler (Supply)	Louisville, Ohio.	St. Peter's.	30	20						1	2	1	2	1	5	27				21.00	190.00	
A. Theodore Wright	Columbiana, Ohio.	Grace.	420	325	100	13	1	3	4		3	9	1	3	1	22	480	101		358.00	1493.00	
J. S. Keppel.	Alliance, Ohio.	Bethel.	170	140	75	11	1	11			5	6		1	10	188				1278.60	805.00	
J. S. Keppel.	Alliance, Ohio.	Maximo.	78	70	26	3					2			1	10	70				66.00	308.00	
H. S. Reichard.	Lisbon, Ohio.	First.	123	110		3	1			1	9	2		1	23	220				145.00	600.00	
Vacant.	Robertsville, Ohio.	Israel.	165	152		4					6		4		1	23	307			557.00	616.00	
Vacant.	Robertsville, Ohio.	Christ's.	187	163		3				1	4		2		1	23	307			645.00	539.00	
J. Theodore Bucher (Supply)	916 23 St. N. W. Canton, O.	St. Paul's (Osuauburg).	123	113	42	3	2	7	4	7	4	11	4	1	1	23	197			437.00	925.00	
Richard R. Yocum.	169 W. D'las'n Av., Y'gst wn.	St. Paul's.	237	175		2	1	5	6		49		11		1	27	232	47		703.00	1400.00	
E. H. Oting.	Warren, Ohio.	Without Charge.																				
G. H. Albright.	Columbiana, Ohio.	Without Charge.																				
A. S. Zimmerman, S. 7 D.	Newton Falls, Ohio.	Without Charge.																				
J. A. Seitz.	Alliance, Ohio.	Without Charge.																				
Ministers, 20.	Charges, 18.	Congregations, 27.	3740	3313	921	91	33	97	133	54	138	86	64	7	27	392	3754	287		\$ 9442.00	\$33464.00	
*Vacant.																						
VI. St. Joseph's Classis—REV. FREEMAN WARE, Stated Clerk.																						
L. H. Isenberg, D.D.	Athens, Michigan.	First Reformed.	57	55	16	1	1		5	6	1		1		1	11	69		1	\$ 96.00	\$ 700.00	
S. E. Reamsnyder.	Blifton, Indiana.	Factoryville.	32	21	5					3					1	11	52			32.00	400.00	
Ernst W. Kruse.	Blifton, Indiana.	First Reformed.	306	256							24	113	5		1	48	671			450.00	1946.00	
	Blifton, Indiana.	Emanuel.	92	74	26					1			2		1	16	98			480.00	1125.00	
		St. Paul.	87	64	22								1		1	20	189			40.00	105.00	
	Colon, Michigan.	Grace.	25	25									1		1	9	51			84.00	230.00	
S. I. Royer.		St. Paul.	48	40	12		1	2							1	8	54			35.00	604.00	

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Depts. and Cradle Roll Inc.
J. W. Bechtel.....	Culvers, Indiana.....	Grace.....	155	114	30	8	4	6	4	3	6	3	3	23	92
D. E. Martz.....	De Lancy, Indiana.....	Zion's.....	42	38	11	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	92
C. A. Albright.....	Detroit, Michigan.....	St. Paul.....	51	51	24	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	67
Nevin H. Schaaf.....	Fort Wayne, Indiana.....	Trinity.....	60	42	14	5	11	1	1	7	10	2	1	12	88
Vacant.....	Fulton, Michigan.....	Grace.....	180	163	55	16	5	21	4	10	3	18	1	24	203
Vacant.....	Goshen, Indiana.....	First.....	235	200	125	8	4	9	7	1	33	6	2	1	243
H. L. Hart.....	Hudson, Indiana.....	St. John's.....	124	86	18	30	7	7	2	14	61	3	2	1	20
Henry S. Gekeler, D.D.....	Indianapolis, Indiana.....	Trinity.....	74	65	30	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	46
John M. Peck.....	Louisville, Kentucky.....	Central Avenue.....	50	45	5	3	5	3	5	5	1	1	1	11	65
L. A. Sigrist.....	Mulberry, Indiana.....	First English.....	98	70	20	6	2	5	3	5	5	1	1	12	100
W. A. Yeisley.....	Plymouth, Indiana.....	St. Luke.....	353	328	62	7	9	21	11	5	2	13	1	1	14
Vacant.....	Three Rivers, Michigan.....	Trinity.....	98	98	32	1	2	9	2	5	5	1	1	13	85
Vacant.....	Three Rivers, Michigan.....	Oxford.....	64	54	17	2	1	2	2	6	2	2	2	1	9
Frank C. Whitthoff.....	Terra Haute.....	St. John's.....	81	69	26	6	19	21	3	1	1	1	1	16	58
Freeman Ware.....	White Pigeon, Michigan.....	St. Paul's.....	36	30	2	1	1	1	1	4	10	1	1	130	24
S. L. Runkel.....	West Unity, Ohio.....	Moorepark.....	52	37	8	1	1	1	1	8	2	2	1	14	37
Vacant.....	Millersburg, Indiana.....	First Reformed.....	47	31	3	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	8	51
Frederick W. Bald.....	Hill'd Pk. R. D. 2, Detroit.....	Bethany.....	100	81	40	1	2	2	1	6	3	3	1	26	135
Rev. A. K. Zartman, D.D.....	Winona Lake, Indiana.....	Peace.....	31	28	19	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	1	4
C. W. Brugh.....	Tiffin, Ohio.....	Beaver Creek.....	55	51	2	2	1	5	1	5	1	1	1	12	50
Ministers, 19.....	Charges, 21.....	Pulaski.....	52	40	40	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	1	16	74
		Bunkerhill.....	45	30	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	11	71
		Zion's.....	9	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	123
		Trinity.....	65	40	17	23	10	3	5	1	3	1	1	14	136
		Synodical Missionary.....	26	17	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		Congregations, 35.....	3157	2437	662	82	69	98	54	48	69	278	59	9	33
		Charges, 21.....	445	3477	445	2	3196	00	\$21428	00					

III. SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST

MINISTER	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS		ADDITIONS				LOSSES			S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS						
			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Conferential Purposes
I. Sheboygan Classis—D. W. VRIESEN, Stated Clerk.																				
W. F. Horstmeier, D.D.	618 Erie Ave., Sheboygan.	First Sheboygan.	489	313	379	36	1	21	5	8	4	1	3	1	35	275	35	2	937.00	\$ 2238.00
Edw. H. Vornholt	R. R. 34, Elkht Lake, Wis.	First Herman.	322	214	72	8	4	2	4	4	1	3	1	1	15	126	65	3	1140.00	1711.00
D. W. Vriesen, D.D.	R. R. 3, Box 67, Manitowoc.	Newton.	179	135	75	4	12	5	1	3	1	2	2	1	12	60	1	1	353.00	1078.00
Caleb Hauser	Timothy, Wis.	Centerville.	132	70	58	14	5	1	1	4	1	3	1	1	7	27	1	1	233.00	849.00
H. T. Vriesen.	R. R. 8, Sheboygan Falls, Wis.	First Sheboygan Falls.	365	230	135	9	1	12	2	3	16	3	1	1	16	70	1	1	625.00	1445.00
S. Romeis.	R. R. 30, Campbellspt, Wis.	Elmore.	145	92	51	5	1	3	1	4	2	1	1	1	16	58	1	1	325.00	730.00
H. H. Greimann.	Dale, Wisconsin.	Dale.	155	95	60	5	2	9	2	1	2	3	2	1	9	40	23	1	169.00	560.00
Johann Gatermann.	R. R. 29, Plymouth, Wis.	Fremont.	60	40	30	4	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	5	25	21	1	90.00	235.00
H. W. Schroer.	R. R. 34, Elkht Lake, Wis.	Mosel.	76	65	28	1	7	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	16	1	1	93.00	445.00
Otto J. Vriesen.	Elkht Lake, Wis.	Second Herman.	186	125	81	10	7	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	10	80	2	1	125.00	1200.00
W. Rech.	Kiel, Wisconsin.	Elkht Lake.	130	70	40	4	10	4	4	2	3	4	4	1	11	50	1	1	70.00	300.00
O. J. F. Saewert.	R. R. 3, Kiel, Wisconsin.	Kiel.	260	190	150	24	21	5	6	5	6	12	1	1	19	135	1	1	55.00	465.00
George Grether.	900 Hancock St, Manitowoc.	Schleswig.	162	140	53	7	2	19	11	1	1	1	1	1	6	38	31	1	198.00	1000.00
F. Hall.	R. R. 2, Greenwood, Wis.	Manitowoc.	206	188	163	15	20	4	4	1	12	2	1	1	13	131	25	1	333.00	1796.00
		Branch.	42	27	24	1	4	7	7	7	7	2	1	1	5	20	20	1	13.00	160.00
		Greenwood.	210	158	125	12	7	7	7	7	7	2	1	1	5	78	20	1	204.00	700.00
		Brown's Settlement.	41	40	24	3	2	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	3	25	12	1	186.00	1225.00
Emil Buehrer.	644 S. Pk Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.	Black Wolf.	25	25	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	41	1	186.00	700.00
H. G. Schmid.	Potter, Wis.	Oshkosh.	42	20	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	8	22	11	1	186.00	700.00
C. O. Schroer.	R. R. 1, Stratford.	Potter.	203	182	70	5	10	7	2	13	1	3	1	1	10	65	19	1	220.00	1011.00
William A. Arpke.	Chilton, Wis.	Stratford.	170	82	98	10	7	10	2	2	14	2	2	1	12	88	23	1	231.00	716.00
	535 Third Ave., Wausau.	Chilton.	165	150	135	10	1	12	10	1	10	2	1	1	12	70	12	1	190.00	600.00
E. L. Worthmann.	S. Kaukauna, Wis.	Wausau.	260	39	123	6	1	1	8	1	8	4	1	1	16	105	12	1	126.00	1228.00
Adam C. Plappert.	New Holstein, Wis.	Kaukauna.	169	135	105	11	1	2	5	2	1	1	1	1	13	104	30	1	115.00	900.00
F. W. Besser.	Plymouth, Wis.	New Holstein.	130	75	34	2	1	14	2	14	3	7	2	1	16	62	1	1	178.00	950.00
		Plymouth.	326	260	138	20	11	2	14	3	5	7	2	1	16	150	1	1	737.00	1300.00

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M. H. Qual.....	1738 Dep't St., Calumet, Mich.	Calumet.....	88	79	56	3	2	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	3	48	27	1	\$18.00	\$1,000.00
J. Stucki.....	Lake Linden.....	Lake Linden.....	20	20															30.00	260.00
A. Stuecker.....	R. R. 8, Bl'k River Falls, Wis. 220 N. W'bst'r Ave., Gr'n Bay.	Indianer Mission..... Green Bay.....	32 25	27 24	7 12	1 5	1								4	20	15	2	39.00	51.00
		Porterfield.....	50	48	25	2	2	2	2	2	1	10	2	1	7	83			143.00	416.00
		Curtiss.....	22	22	18	1	1					1	1	1	3	20	1		11.00	48.00
		Hoard.....	86	43	60	14	8	1	4	4		4	3	1	3	20			33.00	375.00
D. Grether.....	Neillsville, Wis.	Neillsville.....	32	15	20		1	2		6					1	35			40.00	18.00
		Humbird.....	67	53	30	2	1	2		16					1	10	30	1	90.00	250.00
E. G. Krampe.....	R. R. 9, Sheboygan Falls, Wis.	Second Sheboygan Falls.....	150	120	63	6	7	4		16					1	40	51		119.00	300.00
Herman K. Hartmann.....	360 Vine St., Appleton, Wis.	Appleton.....	67	58	33	8	1	2	2	2					2	1	5	10	108.00	739.00
O. Hauser.....	Timothy, Wis.	Cleveland.....	33	17	29	1	3			3		2	2	1	3	11			16.00	477.00
H. P. Lay.....	1521 N. 16th St., Sheboygan.	Second Sheboygan.....	87	68	46	6	7	3		7		4			1	10	128	16	151.00	106.00
A. L. Scherry.....	Colby, Wis.	Colby.....	50	40	16	2	8	11	3				1	1	1	4	30		82.00	550.00
F. Grether, D.D.....	R. R. 29, Plymouth, Wis.	Thorpe.....	22	18	15	5													17.00	150.00
H. A. Meier, D.D.....	R. R. 29, Plymouth, Wis.	Professor im Missionshaus.....																		
M. Vitz, D.D.....	R. R. 29, Plymouth, Wis.	Professor im Missionshaus.....																		
J. W. Grosshuesch, Ph.D.....	Scotland, South Dakota.	Professor in der Scotland Academic.....																		
J. Van Haagen, D.D.....	1065 40th St., Milwaukee.	Prof. Emeritus des M'nshaus.																		
F. Knatz.....	R. R. 29, Plymouth, Wis.	Professor im Missionshaus.....																		
J. J. Janett, D.D.....	1425 N. 4th St., Sheboygan.	Generalsekretæer der Einh. Missionshaus.....																		
Josias Freidli.....	1316 Linc'n Ave., Sheboygan.	Finanzagent des M'nshaus.....																		
L. D. Benner.....	1712 N. 5th St., Sheboygan.																			
E. Fueter.....	Sheboygan, Wis.																			
J. G. Schmid.....	Hayward, Wis.																			
F. A. Fuenfstueck.....	Wausau, Wis.																			

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K. F. Hagemeyer, Ph.D. David Decorah.....	Black River Falls, Wis.....	Professor ohne Stelle.....																			
Ministers, 43. Studenten fuer das Predigtamt: E. De Buhr, Herbert J. Netzel, Carl D. Maurer, J. Klundt, Kaspar Krueger, Benjamin Stucki, Franz Stucki, Paul Olm, O. Schmidt, Carl W. Schneider, Albert C. Fischer.	Charges, 31. Congregations, 44.		5801	4041	2889	303	10	252	62	132	66	85	97	16	39	364	2517	316	14	\$ 8079.00	\$30009.00
II. Milwaukee Classis—WILLIAM Z. ZENK, Stated Clerk.																					
Theophil Schildknecht Calvin M. Zenk.....	Jackson, Wis., R. R. 1. Sauk City, Wis.....	Jackson. Sauk City.....	78	50	32	1	11	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	5	36	.....	.....	\$ 51.00	\$ 700.00
Heinrich C. Nott, D.D. Wilhelm Diehm.....	1192 9th St., Milwaukee, Wis. 615 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha	Dane. First Milwaukee. Waukesha.....	270	230	81	14	11	5	6	11	10	10	4	2	1	3	178	.....	.....	341.00	2750.00
Johann L. Csatlos Constantin J. Walenta	R. R. 31, Campbellsport, Wis. Reeseville, Wis.....	Pewaukee. Wayne..... First Reeseville. Campbellsport.....	315	275	101	18	3	7	2	18	10	10	4	2	1	35	355	30	.....	677.00	9180.00
Wilhelm C. Zenk Heinrich H. Holliger Ernst R. C. Meyer Carl F. Dahn.....	Campbellsport, Wis. 211 West St., Waukegan, Ill. Lowell, Dodge Co., Wis. R. R. 1, Prairie du Sac, Wis.....	Lowell. Waukegan..... Prairie du Sac. Harrisburg.....	209	181	106	9	9	2	4	4	2	3	1	1	1	17	200	.....	.....	577.00	1237.00
Carl Ruppert Friedrich W. Lemke Walter T. Grosshuesch.....	West Bend, Wis. Fifth and Cole, Watertown. Belleville, Wis.....	Watertown. West Bend..... Dayton..... Paoli..... Springdale..... Belleville.....	71	39	21	4	4	11	4	11	2	1	1	1	1	4	20	.....	.....	111.00	238.00
Heinrich G. Settlage Julius H. Bussian.....	754 42nd St., Milwaukee, Wis. Blanchardville, Wis.....	Immanuel Stewart..... Blanchardville.....	184	147	85	11	6	11	6	11	3	1	1	1	10	66	26	1	.....	296.00	1300.00
			188	130	51	6	6	2	2	2	5	3	1	1	1	6	145	.....	.....	500.00	800.00
			95	45	31	2	2	2	2	2	5	3	1	1	1	7	66	.....	.....	273.00	370.00
			201	116	92	3	2	2	2	2	5	3	1	1	1	12	92	.....	.....	172.00	1400.00
			101	75	34	2	2	3	3	3	2	4	2	1	1	4	30	1	.....	105.00	990.00
			133	93	60	12	7	2	2	2	3	2	4	2	1	4	30	1	.....	130.00	950.00
			113	80	56	7	2	4	4	4	3	5	1	1	1	5	60	.....	.....	92.00	400.00
			55	30	40	2	2	4	4	4	30	40	1	1	1	3	30	.....	.....	77.00	300.00
			180	165	75	11	10	2	10	4	1	3	1	1	1	10	95	75	.....	160.00	960.00
			100	65	45	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	12	60	24	.....	107.00	1075.00
			45	35	45	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	4	34	.....	.....	18.00	275.00
			50	46	48	3	9	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	5	45	.....	.....	26.00	400.00
			98	95	80	11	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	54	.....	.....	91.00	900.00
			50	45	18	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	.....	.....	28.00	350.00
			90	87	41	2	5	9	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	15	168	26	2	.....	348.00
			71	50	31	3	2	1	1	1	11	2	1	1	1	4	24	125.00	1608.00
			41	15	40	3	11	11	11	10	2	1	1	2	1	1	24	28.00	227.00

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			70	42	26	4	2						1	3	22				\$28.00	\$150.00	
		New Berlin.....																			
		R. R. 3, Waukesha, Wis.....																			
		Juneau, Wis.....																			
		Juneau, Wis.....																			
		Valentin Rettig.....																			
		Albert Muchmeier.....																			
		New Glarus, Wis.....																			
		R. R. 4, Kewaskum, Wis.....																			
		Charges, 16.																			
		Ministers, 21.	2953	2233	1286	136	3	89	14	99	27	41	36	10	23	197	1893	181	4	\$ 4428.00	\$27479.00
		Congregations, 24.																			
III. Minnesota Classis—Wm. P. Thiel, Stated Clerk.																					
		Vacant.....	178	96	62	7									1	14	166	35	1	\$ 522.25	\$ 1725.29
		E. F. Cedder-Johann.....	338	180	137	8	15	8	5					5		1	19	133		665.89	1672.12
		Waukon, Iowa.....	116	58	53	2	5	2				2	4		1	3	35			224.00	812.00
		R. F. D. 1, Norwood, Minn.....	133	125	72	2							3		1	13	75	30		139.00	803.27
		R. F. D. 1, La Crosse, Wis.....	144	76	80	6			7			2	3	2	1	6	45			328.00	1072.00
		Hamburg, Minn.....	81	52	16	2			1			9	2	1	1	8	60			94.46	421.00
		Alma, Wis.....	81	46	22	7	11								1	5	30			47.00	325.00
		St. Lukas.....	58	42	10	4	1		2		6	11	3	1	1	6	38			161.10	393.00
		St. Johannes.....	28	19	8	1						3			1	4	22			45.00	220.00
		Immanuel.....																			
		Dreifaltigkeit.....																			
		Wabasha, Minn.....	76	67	33	2		3							1	2	20			87.00	500.00
		R. F. D. 3, Chaska, Minn.....	166	85	62	7	1	7					3	2	1	9	88			159.00	1140.00
		West Concord, Minn.....	93	65	69	3	2								1	9				404.30	900.00
		R. F. D. 4, Garner, Iowa.....	19	14	12	2									1	3	15			25.92	200.00
		C. A. Schmid.....	159	137	124	10	2	7	8			13	1		1	13	131			177.05	1786.82
		952 Reaney, St. Paul, Minn.....	180	111	82	3			1		3				1	7	50			498.00	1330.00
		R. F. D. 1, Waukon, Iowa.....	173	121	74	11	11		19				1		1	15	95			413.00	1078.70
		Klemme, Iowa.....																			
		Thompson, Iowa.....	49	40	52	1			1		7	1			1	5	25			26.25	350.00
		101 E. Fr'm't, Rice Lake, Wis.....	22	14	32	6			2						1	3	15			3.25	100.00
		Ebenezer.....																			

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George Ulrich.....	Burr Oak, Iowa.....	St. Paul.....	32	17	12	3	2	3	2	1	6	13	10	\$34.17	\$542.00
A. Krahn, emeritus.....	205 S. 23rd, La Crosse, Wis.....	Congregations, 21.	2126	1335	1082	87	4	65	15	46	16	41	27	9	19	149	1076	\$4074.54	\$15371.20
F. G. Semme, emeritus.....	Thompson, Iowa.....																		
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 16.																		
Studenten fürs Predigtamt: Wilhelm Huchtemann, Wilhelm Becker, Walter P. Kuhn.																			
IV. Nebraska Classis—J. SCHMALZ, Stated Clerk.																			
R. Birk.....	Sutton, Nebr.....	Immanuel.....	284	186	156	12	.....	6	.....	20	3	4	2	1	2	10	211	\$1139.00	\$2385.00
Theo. Mueller.....	Yutan, Nebr.....	St. Peter's.....	87	43	41	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	1	14	121	195.00	430.00
A. E. Hammann.....	R. F. D. 1, Norfolk, Nebr.....	Friedens.....	100	91	51	4	12	3	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	30	341.00	2100.00
H. E. Grieb.....	Harbine, Nebr.....	Immanuel.....	45	38	22	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	2	16	259.00	1450.00
C. Iffert.....	R. F. D. 1, Humbolt, Nebr.....	Hoffmanns.....	105	75	45	6	.....	3	2	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	50	560.00	750.00
F. P. Franke.....	Harvard, Nebr.....	Salem.....	75	40	22	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	1	8	26	121.00	340.00
J. B. Braun.....	Duncan, Nebr.....	Zion's.....	110	101	80	7	4	2	.....	2	4	1	2	.....	1	9	170	140.00	335.00
J. Arnold.....	1903 S. St., Lincoln, Nebr.....	Gruetli.....	57	53	33	1	.....	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	11	28.00	2450.00
J. Schmalz.....	1207 B'r'l'gton Ave., Yorks, Neb.....	Immanuel.....	474	455	370	51	17	29	6	34	4	6	1	6	1	10	200	38.00	250.00
J. Bohler.....	Belden, Nebr.....	Immanuel.....	87	85	35	3	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	47	543.00	1759.00
J. T. Vollprecht.....	Sidney, Nebr.....	Hoffnung.....	41	35	22	1	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	25	258.00	978.00
J. Schaedel.....	109 W'do Pl'ce, Englewood, N.Y.....	Friedens.....	10	10	9	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	3	19	70.00	635.00
J. Biery.....	812 Gr'n St., St. Joseph, Mo.....	Emeritus.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00	140.00
W. J. Bonekemper.....	2019 S. 19th St., Lincoln, Nebr.....	Invalid.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
William Grether.....	435 E. 11th St., Lovel'd, Colo.....	Invalid.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. F. Bock.....	Klemme, Iowa.....	Ohne Stelle.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 16.	Charges, 11.		1618	1116	946	101	.....	59	21	60	30	44	15	7	15	92	998	\$4236.00	\$14866.00
Studenten fur das Predigtamt: Arthur R. Achtemeier.																			

SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST—Ursinus Classics

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V. Ursinus Classis—EMIL F. FRANZ, Stated Clerk.																					
William Bollmann.....	Wheatland, Iowa.....	St. Paul's.....	357	270	160	22	4	18	2	15	1	1	1	1	10	155	25	\$	503.00	\$ 1406.00	
Paul Traeger.....	Baxter, Iowa.....	Immanuel (Big Rock).....	46	40	30	1	1	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	5	15	15		40.00	275.00	
S. Elliker.....	Marengo, Iowa.....	Bethania.....	245	173	75	4	4	9	4	1	1	1	1	1	9	82	1		1102.00	1815.00	
		St. Paul's.....	102	81	82	4	7	5	1	2	2	1	1	1	8	44	1		301.00	635.00	
		Zion's.....	184	148	83	7	10	5	5	1	1	1	1	1	8	61	39		356.00	610.00	
J. Balcar.....	Marengo, Iowa.....	St. John's.....	61	42	10	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	50	46		86.00	443.00	
R. P. Kuentzel.....	Monticello, Iowa.....	Monticello.....	276	215	106	12	4	6	4	5	9	8	2	1	8	55	1		386.00	1262.00	
E. F. Franz.....	Melbourne, Iowa.....	St. John's.....	114	76	53	4	8	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	113	33	2	1227.00	893.00	
P. S. Kohler.....	Slaters, Iowa.....	Slaters.....	149	131	103	9	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	2	9	77	2		513.00	1792.00	
D. E. Bosma.....	R. 3, Odebolt, Iowa.....	Salem's and Filiale.....	98	59	107	9	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	39	1		150.00	958.00	
O. A. Menke.....	Schaller, Iowa.....	Immanuel's.....	101	61	39	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	33	2		185.00	1064.00	
Alwine Grether.....	R. No. 1, Newton, Iowa.....	Zoar's.....	109	58	37	5	1	1	1	1	3	7	1	1	2	15	1		294.00	700.00	
J. Christ.....	Ledyard, Iowa.....	Bethanian.....	38	20	18														37.00	220.00	
†Solomon Elliker, Sr.....	Marengo, Iowa.....	Emeritus.....																			
Fr. Mosbach.....	Melbourne, Iowa.....	Emeritus.....																			
Jacob Hauser.....	Melbourne, Iowa.....	Emeritus.....																			
Ministers, 14.			1880	1374	903	84	4	46	10	19	24	31	33	4	13	99	730	143	3	\$ 5080.00	\$11983.00
Charges, 11.																					
Congregations 13.																					
VI. South Dakota Classis—F. A. RITTERSHAUS, Stated Clerk.																					
Frieden's Charge.....																					
Scotland, South Dakota.....																					
H. Frick.....																					
Odessa.....																					
Bethany.....																					
Bethel.....																					
Menno Charge.....																					
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F. A. Rittershaus..... A. Funck.....	Menno, South Dakota Tripp, South Dakota.....	Bethlehem..... Tripp Charge..... Frieden's..... Immanuel..... New Salem..... Bethanien..... Bethel.....	26 116 90 42 37 26	12 55 29 36 19 9	2 2 6 6 2 2 2 10 6 3 3 2	1 3 4 .. 2 4 4	11	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 3 3 3 3 3 1	10 33 48 31 17 11	\$ 76.85 436.00 190.00 184.00 242.00 37.00	\$ 184.00 600.00 396.00 144.00 144.00 110.00	
Vacant.....	Kalt, K. Alsenbrey, Sr. Alpena, South Dakota.....	Alpena Charge..... Ebenezer..... Zoar..... Salem..... Zion..... Hoffnung..... Herrick Charge..... Zion's.....	18 30 25 27 33 45	18 37 32 35 33 36	2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	15 12 75 11 13 13 14	60.00 115.00 12.75 130.00 11.00 135.00 200.00 130.00	115.00 115.00 12.75 130.00 11.00 135.00 200.00 130.00	
Vacant.....	Kalt, H. Bender Carlock, South Dakota.....	Immanuel..... Frieden's..... Zion's..... Hoffnung's Mission..... Hoffnung's Mission.....	35 17 16 11 35 76	36 15 12 8 25 76	3 4 1 1 3 12	6 4 1 1 2 26	1 1 1 1 2 1	17 13 13 15 16 33	25.00 20.00 75.00 25.00 10.00 40.00 12.00 170.90	200.00 20.00 75.00 25.00 10.00 40.00 12.00 1856.00		
Ministers, 9.	Charges, 7.	Congregations, 25.	1241	870	944	79	86	6	33	42	21	5	12	25	64	614	..	\$ 3186.30	\$ 9041.85
VII. Portland-Oregon Classis—A. E. Wyss, Stated Clerk.																			
Gottlieb Hafner..... Jasiah Hoffman..... Melchior Denny.....	309 12th St., Portland, Ore.. R. F. D. 5, Sherwood, Ore.. 966 Marion St., Salem, Ore.. Ev. Ref. Bethanien.....	First Ev. Reformed Ev. Ref. Meridian Ev. Ref. Bethanien.....	254 65 42	180 23 38	94 16 13	16	6	2 3 2	3 2 1	5 2 1	12 2 1	25 2 1	64 22 6	614 162 42	\$ 1477.00 71.00 247.00	\$ 2292.00 436.00 997.00

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Edward J. Scheidt.....	R. F. D. 1, Hillsboro, Ore.....	Ev. Ref. Emanuel.....	122	70	45	9	4	8	1	1	1	1	1	2	15	64	26	\$353.00	\$1147.00
Herman Heusser.....	Tillamook, Ore.....	Ev. Ref. St. Johannes.....	57	35	31	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	23	..	..	95.00	894.00
A. Edward Wyss.....	R. R. 1, Box 410, P't'l'd, Ore.....	Second Ev. Reformed.....	54	41	38	4	9	11	5	2	6	6	5	1	32	..	..	243.00	800.00	
Peter Schild.....	Quincy, Wash.....	Ev. Ref. Ebenezer.....	76	61	48	4	9	11	10	5	10	10	10	2	11	100	26	..	345.00	801.00	
M. Ness.....	232 S. Pleasant Ave., Lodi, Cal.....	Lodi.....	114	91	106	13	2	4	4	2	4	4	4	2	9	45	..	..	136.00	2070.00
W. G. Lienkaemper.....	6021 7th St., Portland, Ore.....	Third Ev. Reformed.....	77	69	40	8	3	17	13	17	13	13	13	2	17	87	..	..	141.00	705.00
C. H. Riedesel.....	Kimama, Idaho.....	Immanuel and Zion.....	47	27	44	6	4	5	1	1	2	2	1	2	6	73	..	..	53.00	82.00
A. F. Lienkaemper.....	953 E. 46 St., Los Angeles, Cal.....	First Ev. Reformed.....	50	40	8	1	4	5	1	1	2	2	1	1	8	61	..	..	74.00	603.00
J. F. Jungblut.....	Lodi, California.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
G. M. Hirsch.....	268 Gliscin St., Portland, Ore.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
C. C. Lienkaemper.....	R. R. 1, Granger, Wash.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
V. E. Othenin Girard.....	R. R. 1, Tolsom, California.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ministers, 15.....	Charges, 11.....	Congregations, 15.....	958	699	505	63	33	25	24	15	29	3	2	16	104	687	104	..	\$ 3235.00	\$10729.00	
VIII. Manitoaba Classis—REV. A. HEINEMANN, Stated Clerk. Report Wanting																					
IX. Eureka Classis—REV. G. J. ZENK, Stated Clerk.																					
II. W. Stenecker.....	Ashley, N. Dak.....	Ashley.....	22	15	19	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	10	..	..	\$ 25.00	\$ 128.00
..	..	..	42	35	51	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	22	..	..	79.00	312.00
..	Venturia, N. Dak.....	Hoffnungsthal.....	27	18	23	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	15	..	..	32.00	156.00
..	Wishek, N. Dak.....	Neudorf.....	25	25	40	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	15	..	..	10.00	241.00
..	Leola, S. Dak.....	Saron.....	56	20	69	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	35	..	..	30.00	340.00
..	Wishek, N. Dak.....	Johannesthal.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	Kulm, N. Dak.....	Kulm Pfarrstelle.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. B. Wittenberg.....	..	Kulm.....	44	28	35	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	4	17	..	..	69.00	423.00
..	Fullerton, N. Dak.....	Immanuel.....	57	39	50	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	11	..	..	54.00	313.00
..	Temvik, N. Dak.....	Temvik.....	39	29	38	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	40	..	..	72.00	195.00
..	Artas, S. Dak.....	Odessa Pfarrstelle.....	
Vacant.....	..	Artas.....	68	1	1	25	
..	..	Friedens.....	75	1	2	25	
..	..	Odessa.....	68	
..	..	Worms.....	34	

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Vacant		Herrick, S. Dak.	31	
		Java, S. Dak.	22	
		Pollock, S. Dak.	23	
G. J. Zenk		Eureka, S. Dak.	117	102	83	6	4	5	5	3	1	4	43	\$ 218.00	\$ 600.00	
		Eureka	130	123	123	11	8	2	4	.....	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	151.00	600.00
		Gluecksthal	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Hosmer	61	50	37	6	3	14	4	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	112.00	651.00
E. H. Oppermann		Hosmer, S. Dak.	24	18	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.00	337.00
E. H. Oppermann		Hosmer, S. Dak.	49	40	40	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.00	610.00
		Heidelberg	47	35	10	1	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.00	334.00
		Calvin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peter Bauer		Eureka, S. Dak.	74	70	40	6	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	145.00	512.00
		Zeeland, N. Dak.	50	45	30	5	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	225.00
		Greenway, S. Dak.	21	21	17	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.00	126.00
		Zeeland, N. Dak.	40	40	34	3	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.00	198.00
		New Kassel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
†F. Aigner		Reise Mission	35	25	32	2	3	2	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.00	93.00
		Isabel, S. Dak.	15	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	600.00
Vacant		Wishek, N. Dak.	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Hoifnung	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Wishek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 8.		Congregations, 27.	1235	778	797	81	1	51	18	69	20	14	9	4	21	47	462	\$ 1067.00	\$ 7981.00
		Charges, 7.
Rev. H. Sill, Waukon, Iowa; Rev. C. G. Zippf, Galion, Ohio: ohne stelle. Student der Theologie: R. Klandt, Greenway, South Dakota. †Reise missioner fur Nord und Sud Dakota.																				
X. North Dakota Classis—JOHN GROSSMANN, Stated Clerk.																				
Johannes Grossmann		Wimbeldon, North Dakota	124	96	89	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 310.00	\$ 980.00
Vacant		Lincoln, North Dakota	77	25	119	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	384.00
Vacant		Medina, North Dakota	202	42	124	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	732.00	1871.00
J. M. Bauer		Upham, North Dakota	53	26	55	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71.00	544.00
Albert Haller-Lenz		Bruliah, North Dakota	75	37	90	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	202.00	520.00
J. Schweickhardt		Heil, South Dakota	75	57	115	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	257.00	438.00
C. T. Nuss		Jamestown, North Dakota	18	6	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.00	282.00
Ministers, 5.		Charges, 7.	624	289	669	59	\$ 1005.00	\$ 5039.00	
		Congregations, 22.

IV. PITTSBURGH SYNOD

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I. Westmoreland Classis—Rev. S. H. DIETZEL, <i>Statnd Clerk.</i>																				
J. F. Snyder	New Kensington	Retired																		
C. R. Ferner	Mt. Pleasant	Retired	471	325	353	15	13	9	2	8	1	7	1	32	396	87			\$ 1718.00	\$ 7985.00
J. Harvey Mickle, D.D.	Johnstown, Box 227	St. John's																		
S. A. Sanders, D.D.	Irwin	Supt. of Missions	417	332	108	7	6	10	4	7	21	2	1	25	328	14			3891.00	5970.14
D. A. Mase, D.D.	Greensburg	Second Reformed	129	94	70	10	2	7	1	1	6	1	1	20	157				256.88	1730.00
C. E. Wagner	Cornellsville	Trinity																		
A. J. Heller, D.D.	Greensburg	Retired																		
Cyrus Cort, D.D.	Overlea, Md.	Retired	237	185	102	7	1	6	2	3	6	5	1	1	19	208			325.50	7919.56
C. L. Noss	Manor, Box 395	First Reformed	182	133	68	2	2	6		1	10	2		1	19	175			624.69	1191.77
C. L. Noss	Manor, Box 395	Brush Creek	138	108	92	13	10		2	2	3	3	3	1	18	141			316.00	915.00
E. D. Bright	Youngwood	Youngwood	133	109	53	4		10	1	2	4	2	1	1	16	95			288.00	600.00
E. D. Bright	Youngwood	Harrold																		
L. D. Stuckel	Greensburg	Retired																		
J. C. Bowman, D.D.	Lancaster	Prof. Theo. Seminary	184	133	31		2	6	1	1	2	2		1	18	172	35	1	370.00	1480.00
S. U. Waugaman	Scottdale	Trinity	52	40	16		3	6						1	13	78			103.00	200.00
S. U. Waugaman	Scottdale	Zion	1192	882	547	42	12	41	12	20	20	7	8	1	70	783	140	1	4836.00	5777.00
E. S. Broner, D.D.	Greensburg, Box 459	First																		
C. W. Sumney	Apollo, R. F. D. 1	Without Charge																		
R. R. Franklin Mann	Trafford	St. John's	205	147		14	3	4	8	3		1	1	1	18	319			365.61	884.46
R. R. Franklin Mann	Trafford	Faith	33	27		1								1	12	83			40.00	217.73
H. N. Smith	Delmont, Box 313	Trinity	161	140	61	4	1	7	4	1	5	2	3	1	12	83			302.00	983.75
H. N. Smith	Delmont	Grace	86	72	42					2				1	12	95			160.91	355.00
W. J. Muir	Delmont	V. P. Woman's College																		
S. H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Pleasant Unity	St. Paul's	191	163	153	27	4	13	2	3		5	8	1	17	162			611.00	1017.00
S. H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Pleasant Unity	St. Luke's	75	63	46	12	1	5	2			2	7	1	14	113			226.00	661.00
Daniel Gress	Harrison City	Denmark-Manor	165	149	85	12	9		1	12	6	1		1	16	180			435.00	2230.00
Daniel Gress	Harrison City	Harrison City	100	89	70	7	4		4	4	4	2		1	16	173			220.00	690.00
Henry Ditzler	Ruffsedale	Christ	147	118	31	4	1	5		3		2		1	16	199	25		382.00	750.00
Henry Ditzler	Ruffsedale	St. Luke's	33	27	14	1		4		2		1		1	11	74			86.00	250.00
W. H. Landis	Ruffsedale	St. Paul's	129	106	68	6	3	4	1	2	5		1	1	13	173			201.00	2237.00
R. V. Hartman	Derry	Salina	331	326	240	26	5	15	3	8	19	48	3	1	27	565	120		248.00	2881.00

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L. L. Leh.....	Emlementon, Pa.....	St. John's.....	79	52	41	10	1	6	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	12	91	16	..	\$ 944 00	\$ 704 00	
J. I. Laufer.....	South Bend, Pa.....	Salem.....	114	88	68	3	3	9	1	1	2	1	3	3	1	17	117	37	..	233 00	596 00	
		St. Jacob's.....	77	73	16	6	13	2	4	4	4	2	2	2	1	10	72	..	..	82 46	456 00
		Zion's Valley.....	34	34	9	3	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	10	87	..	..	62 00	139 00
		St. Thomas.....	109	100	20	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	87	..	..	110 00	324 00
		Mt. Union.....	24	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18 00	125 00
I. G. Snyder.....	Monroe, Pa.....	St. Mark's.....	171	132	131	5	1	5	..	..	3	13	..	..	1	16	166	..	..	489 00	1069 00
L O. Carbaugh.....	Dayton, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	310	227	223	11	8	2	..	..	1	5	1	1	1	26	320	..	..	1730 00	853 00
		Salem.....	98	72	37	4	5	1	1	1	1	7	..	..	1	8	97	..	..	113 00	418 00
		Beknap.....	68	48	26	3	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	..	1	10	114	..	..	149 00	264 00
		Edaville.....	48	34	31	1	..	..	..	..	1	4	1	..	1	7	67	..	..	72 00	169 00
Herman G. Snyder.....	Hawthorn, Pa.....	Mt. Union.....	47	31	22	3	1	2	..	..	..	5	1	..	1	6	45	..	..	41 00	165 00
		Trinity.....	65	38	94	4	..	..	..	..	2	5	1	..	1	21	42	..	..	94 00	352 00
		Nevin Memorial.....	75	60	50	4	1	2	4	..	1	5	1	..	1	14	88	..	..	115 00	338 00
		Grace.....	71	50	76	4	1	2	1	..	1	5	1	..	1	14	117	..	..	89 00	303 00
Vacant.....	Troutville, Pa.....	St. Luke's.....	55	41	37	10	1	3	1	1	7	2	3	1	1	9	58	..	..	44 00	233 00
		Trinity.....	203	101	92	10	1	1	..	..	1	3	1	1	1	15	75	..	..	165 00	618 00
		Paradise.....	154	116	85	7	..	..	..	..	2	1	3	1	1	12	126	..	..	220 00	..
Vacant.....		St. John's.....	65	28	32	7	..	..	..	..	1	3	1	..	1	12	54	..	..	..	..
		Worthville.....	31	25	27	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	1	6	53	..	..	..	..
		Temple.....	21	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	1	12	54	..	..	..	..
		Shannondale.....	24	20	15	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..	1	12	54	..	..	..	..
Vacant.....		St. Paul's.....	137	112	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	81 00	161 00
Ministers, 11.	Charges, 14.	Congregations, 33.	3714	3000	1771	141	34	125	56	35	79	126	64	11	30	402	3504	289	1	\$7480 96	\$20072 00	
III. St. Paul's Classis—REV. H. S. NICHOLSON, Stated Clerk.																						
A. M. Keifer.....	Greenville, Pa.....	St. Paul's Orphan Home.....	286	250	90	3	3	5	..	3	..	5	6	1	19	294	..	..	..	\$ 619 00	\$ 1097 00
B. B. Ferer, D.D.....	Meadville, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	316	280	170	9	2	1	8	2	1	8	2	2	1	20	321	26	..	1081 00	2200 00	
W. M. Diefenderfer.....	Sharon, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. K. Kline.....	Jeanette, Pa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. B. Bauman.....	Greenville, Pa.....	Zion's.....	946	860	274	17	7	22	10	2	26	6	9	3	1	41	778	84	1	2891 00	9137 00	

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C. George Shupe.....		Cochran, Pa.....	St. Mark's.....	96	38	1	1	1	1	1	3	5	3	3	1	1	1	10	72	\$156.00	\$ 400.00
		St. John's.....	St. John's.....	91	80	26	2	4	4	4	6	5	1	1	1	1	1	8	55	270.00	400.00
		Trinity.....	Trinity.....	76	59	21											1	8	38	..	..	187.00	350.00
Charles R. Hartman.....		Saegertown, Pa.....	Mercy.....	28	27	8					1	2	1	2	1	1	1	11	79	..	..	90.00	100.00
		Immanuel.....	Immanuel.....	127	103	30					4	2	2	2	1	1	1	11	38	..	..	408.00	1082.00
W. H. Kerschner.....		Meadville, Pa., R. D. 4.....	St. John's.....	145	36	15					1	3	1	3	1	1	1	8	38	..	..	52.00	310.00
			Watson Run.....	169	164	66	1	3	7	3	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	14	102	..	..	520.00	673.00
H. S. Nicholson.....		Grove City, Pa.....	Christ Reformed.....	135	102	50	4	2	3	12	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	14	148	..	..	354.00	509.00
O. H. Dorschel.....		Buffalo, N. Y.....	Grace.....	114	88	30	5	6	5	9	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	14	118	..	..	489.00	936.00
H. S. Garner.....		Fredonia, Pa., R. D. 37.....	St. Mark's.....	152	142	132	17	11	4	19	3	2	3	2	3	1	1	21	183	..	..	72.00	2112.00
			Zion's.....	112	95	35	3	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	15	117	..	..	209.00	550.00
			Jerusalem.....	109	90	40	2	1	2	1	2	1	5	1	1	1	1	19	149	..	..	308.00	573.00
			Jerusalem.....	35	36	14							1	5	1	1	1	13	159	..	..	37.00	165.00
A. C. Renoll, Ph. D.....		Fredonia, Pa.....	St. John's.....	221	188	40	8	2	17	1	9	4	7	1	1	1	1	14	257	..	..	442.00	631.00
			St. John's.....	177	162	38	6	2	10	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	32	522	..	..	382.00	563.00
			Dewey Avenue.....	160	110	72	26	10	8	4	2	7	6	1	1	1	1	32	522	..	..	62.00	731.00
			Grace.....	143	111	50						6	8	4	1	1	1	13	156	..	..	280.00	850.00
Ministers, 12.....			3539	3008	1239	101	32	95	47	38	81	55	47	16	18	290	3660	203	2	\$ 9209.00	\$24332.00		
Charge, 12.....			Congregations, 20.																				
IV. Somerset Classis—REV. E. P. SKYLES, Stated Clerk.																							
Hiram King, D.D.....		Somerset, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
A. E. Truxal, D.D.....		Meyersdale, Pa.....	Amity.....	575	504	284	15	23	4	8	7	27	6	1	1	1	1	27	680	25	1	\$ 1153.00	\$ 2826.00
E. P. Skyles.....		Cumberland, Md.....	St. Mark's.....	250	212	197	10	11	15	2	5	3	3	2	1	1	1	19	284	..	..	565.00	2549.00
Adolphus Walker.....		St. Clairsville, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
D. N. Dittmar.....		Mann's Choice, Pa.....	Without Charge.....																				
Ira S. Monn.....		Elk Lick, Pa.....	Paradise, St. John's.....	330	290	100	12	12	29	3	8	10	3	1	1	1	1	26	283	..	..	916.00	1400.00
			Trinity.....	92	85	35	8	2	5	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	8	85	..	..	227.00	350.00
			Stoyestown, Stoyestown.....	133	141	44	9	4	7	3	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	12	122	20		336.00	741.00
Frank Wetzel.....		Stoyestown, Pa.....	Hooversville.....	50	48	30	12											10	48			138.00	192.00
			Frieden's.....	60	52	18	2					4	3	1	1	1	1	9	71	..	..	137.00	264.00
			Mt. Tabor.....	47	37	14	1	1	1									1	41	..	..	116.00	207.00
			Trinity.....	384	296	113	13	6	5	7	6	12	8	5	1	1	1	21	288	30		1152.00	2007.00
D. S. Stephan.....		Berlin, Pa.....																					

PITTSBURGH SYNOD—Somerset Classis—Continued

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			Communicants	Communed	Uncommuned	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
A. S. Kresge.....	Hyndman, Pa.	Hyndman.....	139	116	115	14	2	6	7	1	23	2	1	1	14	37	39	..	..	249.00	1056.00
J. W. Albertson.....	Jennerstown, Pa.	Beam, Beam.....	91	89	55	5	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	9	80	..	..	227.00	475.00
		Edie.....	40	40	20	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	90	..	..	112.00	230.00	
		Jennerstown.....	64	61	38	4	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	8	94	..	..	157.00	470.00	
W. A. McClellan.....	Rockwood, Pa.	New Centreville, Trinity.....	125	103	154	3	1	3	3	1	2	2	2	2	24	204	28	..	..	250.00	600.00
		St. John's.....	35	35	14	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	57	..	..	98.00	300.00	
		St. Paul's.....	30	23	50	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	91	..	..	40.00	100.00	
E. F. Hoffmeier.....	Somerset, Pa.	Somerset, St. Paul's.....	220	183	82	1	3	4	11	2	1	8	1	1	19	183	25	..	..	308.10	5542.00
		Salem.....	60	49	20	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	10	60	..	..	143.00	588.00	
S. R. Kresge.....	Boswell, Pa.	Jenners, Emmanuel.....	37	32	20	2	1	2	2	1	2	5	1	1	1	9	65	..	..	72.00	120.00
		St. Paul's.....	20	20	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	147	2	..	11.00	300.00	
		Christ.....	25	20	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	65	..	..	80.00	50.00
A. J. Herman.....	Berlin, Pa.	Glade, Trinity.....	70	58	35	1	2	6	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	70	..	..	77.00	94.00
		Glade.....	96	68	36	1	2	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	69	..	..	49.00	80.00
		St. John's.....	76	61	33	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	70	..	..	77.00	94.00
		St. Luke's.....	65	39	30	2	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	69	..	..	49.00	80.00	
L. N. Wilson.....	Meyersdale, Pa., R. D.	Wilhelm, St. Paul's.....	286	200	95	10	1	5	1	1	1	3	1	1	28	251	..	..	577.00	2481.00	
A. William Von Kaske.....	Corriganville, Md.	St. John's.....	86	79	35	10	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	87	..	..	203.00	528.00	
		Wellsburg St. John's.....	64	54	36	15	11	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	104	11	..	113.00	345.00	
		Redeemer.....	48	44	10	2	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	48	..	..	81.00	196.00	
		Gladdens.....	45	38	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	8	46	..	..	81.00	205.00
		Wellsburg.....	43	38	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	8	46	..	..	81.00	205.00
		Gladdens.....	47	40	21	3	1	1	1	1	3	7	1	1	27	312	18	..	..	258.00	10860.00
Leo D. Horn.....	Frostburg, Md.	Salem.....	246	163	274	20	13	2	3	1	7	7	1	1	13	105	53	..	..	35.00	316.00
Vacant.....	Meyersdale, Pa.	Will's Creek, Mt. Lebanon.....	142	100	60	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	132	45	..	..	560.00	140.00
		St. Mark's.....	136	82	80	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	59	..	..	..	140.00	123.00
		Grace.....	82	47	70	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	94	..	..	..	123.00	1161.00
		Glencoe.....	63	32	45	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	94	..	..	..	145.00	425.00
		Zion's, Mt. Zion.....	159	140	58	7	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	222	..	..	739.00	1161.00	
		St. Paul's.....	92	88	39	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	79	..	..	145.00	425.00	
		Grace.....	62	47	62	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	91	..	..	362.00	950.00	
H. H. Spahn.....	Reading, Pa.	Without Charge.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ministers, 18.	Charges, 16.	Congregations, 40.	4679	3716	2471	209	41	184	69	43	82	99	57	20	38	508	5057	335	1	\$12206.00	\$39164.00

PITTSBURGH SYNOD—Allegheny Classis—Continued

MINISTER	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS		ADDITIONS				LOSSES				S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS							
			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Depl. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes		
V. Allegheny Classis—REV. EDWARD S. LA MAR, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																						
P. C. Prugh, D.D.	San Gabriel, California	Retired.	265	130	20	1	11	9				7	9	4								
A. H. Ginder	Evans City, Pa.	St. John's														1	28	204		\$ 690.00	\$ 2600.00	
A. J. Collison	824 Brunswick Ave., Trenton.	Without Charge.														1	46	520		2654.00	8332.00	
Lewis Robb, D.D.	907 Rebecca St., Wilkinsburg.	Trinity	684	623	16	5	24	45	11	23	9	6	1	1	1	19	220	45		586.00	2194.00	
H. D. Darbaker	New Kensington, Pa.	Without Charge.														1	13	132	40	209.00	505.00	
J. W. Pontius	114 Polk St., Butler, Pa.	Bethany	106	153	88	4	2	10	1	2		3	1	1	1	13	132	40		143.00	1039.00	
S. A. Stamm	Chicora, Pa.	St. John's, Fairview	110	100	20	4	3	8	3	4						1	12	97	36			
S. A. Stamm	Chicora, Pa.	St. Peter's, Fairview	87	85	17	4	4	9	6	5												
C. Borchers	627 Grindale Ave., Swissvale	Without Charge.																				
J. E. Scheetz	409 Fifth Rd., N. Kensington	Trinity	171	138	74	5	1	4	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	24	258			673.00	2069.00	
M. G. Schucker	1306 Lancaster Ave., Swissvale	Without Charge.																				
Paul B. Rupp	1110 S. Union Ave., McK's pt.	First	182	129	78	10	1	6	5	1	4	5	3	2	1	14	176			585.00	2433.00	
H. M. Ledy	Harmony, Pa.	Grace	379	302	152	18	1	11	13	3	2	6			1	27	372	75		1021.00	1754.00	
J. M. Evans	R. D. 7, Butler, Pa.	Olivet, St. John's	175	153	87	8	1	12	7		2	3	2		1	18	137			517.00	837.00	
J. M. Evans	R. D. 7, Butler, Pa.	Olivet, St. Paul's	96	87	35	3									1	13	93			198.00	839.00	
J. M. Evans	2025 Termon, N. S. Pitts'gh.	Church of the Ascension	155	114	75	7	1	3	11	1	9	3				1	22	122		459.00	2564.00	
Adison H. Groff	804 Long Ave., Pittsburgh	Christ	100	75	50	3					9	3	5			1	13	121	20	1885.00	1205.00	
W. E. Horstmeier	4749 Fr'dship Ave., Pittsb'gh.	St. Paul's	145	115	64	9		4	2	9	1	3	2	2	1	13	133	27		440.00	1748.00	
E. S. La Mar	1325 M'rg't St., Mumball, Pa.	First	100	77	53	4		4		1	3	2	2		1	13	145	20		358.00	1040.00	
E. R. Hamme	Zelenople, Pa.	St. Peter's	272	265	118	15	1	11	14	1	2	54	3		1	21	332			454.00	1908.00	
J. B. Musser	Ellwood City, Pa.	Immanuel	105	95	62	13	3	5	13	2	2	9	3		1	24	190			248.00	2058.00	
F. K. Stamm	518 Brown Ave., Butler, Pa.	St. Paul's	502	475	210	11	4	7	8	5	1	6			1	20	517			1605.00	10000.00	
H. D. Maxwell	Chicora, R. D. 1	Sugar Creek, St. Paul's	200	200	158	12	1	26	2	12		2	5		1	22	158	1		303.00	1500.00	
H. D. Maxwell	Chicora, R. D. 1	Sugar Creek, Trinity	75	87	73	5	3	1	4						1	19	57			424.00	434.00	
W. S. Harmon	315 Camp Ave., Braddock	St. Luke's	178	158	76	14	2	5	7	8	4	3	1	5	1	28	277	14		772.00	1687.00	
David Dunn	123 Shaw Ave., Turtle Creek	Calvary	257	222	101	15	10	31	19	18	3	54			1	28	243	51		417.00	2137.00	
F. C. Nau	737 Broughton St., Pittsb'gh.	Grace	324	278	76	5	1	11	31	20	9	4	2		1	12	168	27		1036.00	8585.00	
A. M. Rahn	312 Viola Ave., Duquesne, Pa.	Grace	130	80	3	1	6	4	2		2	9	2		1	17	145	18		461.00	895.00	
Walter R. Clark	Pitcairn	First	118	81	120	5	3	5	5		2	9	2		1	19	208			170.00	2636.00	
Vacant	Pittsburgh	St. Mark's	95	92							5	4			1	14	96	15		150.00	2011.00	
R. F. McMeekin. (Licentiate)	Chicora, Pa.	Without Charge.																				
Ministers, 27.	Charges, 23.	Congregations, 25.	5081	4434	2197	213	49	217	226	118	86	190	58	16	25	491	5271	466	3	\$15834.00	\$63170.00	

PITTSBURGH SYNOD—Hungarian Classis

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
VI. Hungarian Classis—Rev. SAMUEL HORVATH, Stated Clerk.																						
Alex. Harsanyi.	1008 10th Ave., Homestead.	First Reformed.	250	250	50	94	1	14				18	14	1	3	65			\$ 200.00	\$ 2000.00		
Gabriel Dokus.	21 Lexington Av., S. Norwalk.	Hungarian Reformed.	200	286	100	42		15				10	15	1	17	170	50		50.00	2649.53		
Samuel Horvath.	3036 Globe Av., Lorain, Ohio.	Hungarian Reformed.	150	150	50	57		21				12	6	1	3	135	62	1	45.00	2569.25		
Ernst Porzolt.	821 9th Ave., Johnstown, Pa.	Hungarian Reformed.	140	140	75	41						5	9	1	1	30			60.00	2025.16		
Andrew Kovacs.	1424 Blaine Ave., Dayton, O.	First Magyar Reformed.	154	154		28		16				4	1	2	1	3	84	47		131.75	2323.90	
John Ujlaki.	Dillonvale, Ohio.	Hungarian Reformed.	120	120	35	34							5	3	1	1	28			533.21		
Orpad Bakay.	860 Cecwin Ave., Akron, O.	Hungarian Reformed.	75	81		34								13		3	50			1381.46		
Alex. Radacsy.	Uniontown, Pa.	Hungarian Reformed.																				
Ministers, 8.	Charges, 8.	Congregations, 10.	1089	1181	310	330	1	66				14	16	75	37	7	31	562	159	1	\$ 486.75	\$13682.51

V. POTOMAC SYNOD.

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS			ADDITIONS			LOSSES			S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS									
			Communicants	Committed	Uncommitted	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes			
I. Zion's Classis—REV. AARON SPANGLER, Stated Clerk.																								
Oliver P. Shellhamer, D.D.	491 Madison Ave., York, Pa.	Paradise Total.	1310	1145	687	73	3	41	11		13	6	20	15	5	65	971	270		\$ 1533 00	\$ 4420 00			
		Salem's.	465	417	280	26	2	19	4		6	2	8		1	20	330	65		850 00	1500 00			
		Paradise.	269	226	160	6	1	1	2		2		2		2	1	16	171	30		325 00	635 00		
		Trinity.	180	150	62	12					2		2		1	9	110	40		98 00	360 00			
		St. Paul's.	221	197	95	13		9	2		2	3	4		1	10	150	85		205 00	725 00			
		Shiloh.	175	155	90	16		12	3		1		4		1	10	210	50		100 00	1000 00			
		Bethany Cong.	402	309	171	14	2	17	10	5	17		9	2	5	100	899	230		475 00	3145 00			
		Mt. Zion Charge.	636	520	437	21		11			9		9	2	3	1	28	212			547 00	1400 00		
		Salem's.	256	230	175	7					5		3		2	2	34	306	133		156 00	400 00		
		Mt. Zion.	172	122	112	4		7					3		3	1	1	21	171	55		83 00	300 00	
Samuel M. Roeder	Glen Rock, York Co., Pa.	Zion's.	154	114	126	10		4				3		3	1	1	20	90	42		77 00	250 00		
		Christ.	486	392	230	10		6	4	1	13	3	7		1	3	57	433		1	1229 00	1708 00		
		Glen Rock Charge.	74	64	44																396 00	1051 00		
		Trinity.	203	160	87	5		3	4		5	3	3		3	1	25	215	37	1	671 00	209 00		
		St. Peter's.	149	122	84	1			1		1		2		1	19	71				162 00	325 00		
		Jerusalem.	134	110	59	4		3					1		1	13	177				565 00	1230 00		
		Shrewsbury Charge.	447	351	323	16		4	7		12	1	7	4	4	61	439				207 00	475 00		
		Solomon's.	152	102	64	1		1	3		5	1	3	3		1	15	86			46 00	170 00		
		St. John's.	48	39	43	1					3		2		2	1	16	96			109 00	250 00		
		Bethany.	76	57	61	3		3	2		2		2		1	1	13	95			203 00	335 00		
J. Kern McKee. Samuel H. Stein. A. Theodore Wright, B.D.	128 W. Maple St., York, Pa. 119 S. Duke St., York, Pa. Red Lion, York Co., Pa.	Bethlehem.	171	153	155	11				2		2		2	1	17	180			2170 00	1300 00			
		Zion Cong.	887	691	315	35	4	92	26	6	12	20	9	8	1	48	825	352	2		4366 00	6142 00		
		Trinity First Reformed.	644	533	169	11		22	8	4	3	10	8	11	11	1	50	496	77		540 00	2073 00		
		St. John's Charge.	265	215	87	12		3	22		6		5		2						445 00	1088 00		
		St. John's.	208	170	60	8		3	20		3		3		1						2208 00	1280 00		
		Grace Reformed Cong.	491	410	180	15	2	7	10	6	7	2	2	1	48	568				969 00	1380 00			
		Kreutz Creek Charge.	369	278	181	10	4	19	4	5	7	10	4		3	60	495	125	1		343 00	639 00		
		Trinity.	141	118	66	7		4	3		1	3	3	1		1	21	145	36		525 00	561 00		
		Canadochy.	183	119	103	3					7		2		1	13	236				102 00	80 00		
		Locust Grove.	45	41	12			2	5		4		1		1	16	111				668 00	4020 00		
Supply. Edward O. Keen.	625 S. Duke St., York, Pa.	Memorial Cong.	229	188	125	10		2	1	3	5	12	2	3	1	37	275	79	1					

POTOMAC SYNOD—Zion's Classis—Continued

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Depl. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
J. William Zehring.....	Dallastown, York Co., Pa.....	Dallastown Charge.....	236	150	215	19	1	5	3	6	4	6	2	41	322	2	2	266 00	1225 00		
W. Sherman Kerschner.....	125 N. Beaver St., York, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	187	132	125	16	3	5	3	6	2	4	1	27	190	2	1	229 00	1100 00		
Oliver S. Hartman.....	42 N. Tremont St., York, Pa.....	St. John's.....	39	18	120	3	3	3	2	4	1	14	1	14	132	229	1	37 00	125 00		
Andrew H. Smith.....	Littlestown, Pa.....	Emmanuel Cong.....	821	568	180	26	5	21	9	3	15	19	16	1	42	804	229	2031 00	4700 00		
Edwin T. Rhodes.....	West York, Pa.....	Supt. Hoffman Orphanage.....	282	200	135	4	1	9	10	4	10	1	1	51	509	92	1	419 00	1820 00		
Vacant.....		St. Stephen's Cong.....	180	154	111	12	1	7	7	20	4	2	2	1	29	304	33	360 00	1240 00		
Vacant.....		Dillsburg Charge.....	153	105	66	6	2	7	2	3	1	4	56	517	31	00	31 00	1320 00			
O. P. Schellhamer, supply.....	191 Madison Ave., York, Pa.....	Barren's.....	52	45	25	11	2	6	2	1	1	1	16	200	.....	.....	.....	400 00		
A. Theo. Wright, supply.....	Red Lion, Pa.....	Piley's.....	25	19	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	129	.....	.....	.....	200 00		
Raymond E. Butz, M.D.....	103 E. M'rk't St., York, Pa.....	Franklin.....	45	30	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	136	.....	.....	.....	600 00		
Charles B. Heinly.....	York, Pa.....	Without charge.....	31	11	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	62	.....	.....	.....	120 00		
Paul M. Spangler.....	Mifflin, Juniata Co., Pa.....	St. John's.....	37	36	45	7	1	2	6	2	1	1	15	130	.....	.....	35 00	1075 00		
Paul I. Deppen.....	113 Lincoln St., York, Pa.....	Faith Reformed Cong.....	16	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 00	50 00		
John C. Raezer.....	Lancaster, Pa.....	Lebanon Cong.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Aaron Spangler.....	511 W. Market St., York, Pa.....	Without charge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lie. Edward V. Strassbaugh.....	Blaine, Perry Co., Pa.....	Without charge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lie. Paul Irving Kuntz.....	546 E. Bou dary Av., York, Pa.....	Without charge.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 25.	Charges, 17.	Congregations, 37.	7911	6231	3692	295	26	217	118	63	140	94	104	51	37	796	8566	1712	9	\$18519 00	\$54564 00
II. Maryland Classis—Rev. I. LOYD E. COBLENTZ, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
J. S. Kieffer, D.D., L.L.D.....	229 N. P'm'e St., Hagerst'n.....	Zion Reformed.....	545	414	168	10	3	14	7	2	4	10	3	1	40	388	.....	.....	\$ 3877 85	\$ 3564 89
Joel T. Rossiter, D.D.....	822 N. Calvert St., Baltimore.....	First Reformed.....	395	334	118	5	3	3	2	4	4	1	1	11	135	77	330 00	2563 00		
Conrad Clever, D.D.....	Hagerstown, Md.....	Christ Reformed.....	580	510	225	13	9	30	9	8	5	5	2	1	700	1900 00	3539 00		
Barton R. Carnahan.....	Frederick, Md., R. F. D. 1.....	Salem.....	131	120	40	9	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	160	100 00	275 00		
		Mt. Pleasant.....	75	65	30	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	78	110 00	328 00		
		Grace Trinity.....	65	57	24	2	2	3	3	6	1	1	1	1	139	46	139 46	225 00		

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Barton R. Carnahan.....	Frederick, Md., R. D. 1.....	Union Chapel.....	44	38	10	2	2	1	3	...	2	\$ 62.54	\$ 161.00	
Louis F. Zinkhan.....	19th & C. Sts., S. E. Wash'tn.....	Supt. Washington Asylum.....
Calvin S. Slagle, D.D.....	3429 Park Heights Av., Balto.....	Without Charge.....
Adam S. Weber, D.D.....	1330 S. Patterson Pk Av., Bto.....	Faith, Baltimore.....	610	506	290	58	...	28	1	4	13	8	2	2	1	36	577	...	...	712.00	4342.04
Atvill Conner.....	1811 Penrose Av., Balto., Md.....	St. Luke's, Baltimore.....	131	159	82	12	2	17	12	4	4	...	2	...	1	31	307	72	...	103.00	7866.00	
Isaac M. Motter.....	Frederick, Md.....	Without Charge.....
Lloyd E. Coblenz.....	410 N. Calhoun St., Balto.....	St. Paul's, Balto.....	661	563	367	27	2	20	5	7	6	4	13	3	1	37	331	28	...	726.65	4310.07	
Simon S. Miller, A. M.....	Frederick, Md.....	Treasurer Relief Society.....
William E. Lampe, Ph.D.....	15th & Race Sts., Phila., Pa.....	Sec'y Laymen's Miss, M'vmt.....
James M. Mullan, B.D.....	3409 M'ebello Av., Balto.....	Supt. Missions in East.....	548	451	312	22	15	2	...	13	...	...	5	...	1	24	289	...	...	1075.00	1350.00
Clayton H. Rancek.....	15th & Race Sts., Phila., Pa.....	Sec'y Assoc. Sch'ls, Colleges.....	67	52	25	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	13	124	20	...	76.00	470.00
S. Charles Hoover.....	Westminster, Md., R. F. D. 1.....	St. John's.....	58	40	33	16	3	10	...	1	7	...	1	...	1	9	68	...	...	15.00	95.00
Marion L. Firor.....	Sabillasville, Md.....	St. Jacob's.....	65	47	23	1	4	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	1	9	135	...	...	67.00	516.00
Charles M. Smith.....	Middletown, Fred'k Co., Md.....	St. Stephen's.....
William H. Warner.....	Nyersville, Md.....	Without Charge.....
George Albert Snyder, D.D.....	Middletown, Md.....	Christ, Middletown.....	514	393	196	3	1	15	...	...	3	...	5	...	1	39	545	119	1	1527.00	3518.00
John W. Reinecke.....	Westminster, Md.....	Harmony (Supply).....	48	42	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	12	68	35	...	45.00	180.00
Henri L. G. Kieffer.....	Frederick, Md.....	St. Benjamin's.....	192	140	50	5	5	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	1	11	131	...	...	600.00	...
John L. Barnhart, B.D.....	2304 M'ndawmin Av., Balto.....	St. Matthew's.....	120	100	40	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	10	94	60	...	182.00	200.00
John D. Thomas, Ph.D.....	Adamstown, Md.....	Jerusalem.....	96	70	20	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	64	...	...	200.00	...
J. Edward Klingaman.....	Clear Spring, Md.....	Evangelical, Fred'k.....	769	589	315	18	3	36	4	3	9	...	12	3	1	88	639	234	1	7746.00	5018.00	
Charles E. Wehler, D.D.....	Frederick, Md.....	Christ, Balto.....	267	198	78	8	1	15	5	2	6	3	2	...	1	20	171	18	...	175.00	2530.00	
Ernst E. Weaver, A.M.....	Adamstown, Md.....	Trinity.....	112	94	39	4	2	2	1	1	1	...	4	...	1	15	179	...	...	224.00	500.00
Ray H. Dotterer, Ph.D.....	Clear Spring, Md.....	St. Matthew's.....	56	44	26	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	10	46	...	...	150.00	366.00
...	...	St. John's.....	44	32	11	1	...	...	...	...	3	...	1	...	1	4	24	...	...	132.00	211.00
...	...	St. Paul's.....	92	60	...	4	2	3	2	1	...	2	...	...	1	19	145	18	...	107.96	541.10
...	...	St. John's.....	135	123	...	8	5	11	...	2	2	2	3	1	1	19	140	...	...	268.87	748.85
Charles E. Wehler, D.D.....	Frederick, Md.....	Vice Pres. Hood College.....
Ernst E. Weaver, A.M.....	Walkersville, Md.....	Without Charge.....
Ray H. Dotterer, Ph.D.....	1220 W. 36th St., Balto., Md.....	Trinity, Balto.....	203	129	135	6	4	2	...	2	4	2	2	...	1	15	247	276.00	1178.00	

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Peter E. Heimer, Ph. D.	Thurmont, Md.	Trinity	228	155	121	8	1	5	3	2	4	5	1	22	173	41	\$ 146.00	\$2435.00	
		Mt. Tabor	57	34	30	5	1	3	4	4	1	1	1	18	139	30	9.00	216.00	
		St. John's	75	60	50	10	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	12	92	30	30.00	167.00	
		Apple's	48	34	36	3	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	11	95	...	10.00	150.00	
		Church of the Incarnation	173	114	77	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	57	...	427.88	967.63
E. Lewis Higbee	Emmitsburg, Md.	Grace, Frederick	650	440	333	26	...	38	18	7	19	4	5	41	671	23	926.00	3987.00	
John A. Ditzler	Frederick, Md.	Grace, Frederick	136	104	136	25	...	11	5	10	6	1	3	13	246	...	151.00	1090.00	
Horace A. Shiffer	127 W. Ostend St., Balto, Md.	Grace, Balto.	402	315	115	5	3	7	25	12	3	6	5	1	30	339	86	1614.00	4166.00
Henry H. Ranck, D.D.	1405 15th St., N. W. Wash'tn.	Grace, Washington, D. C.	223	168	77	8	2	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	223	39	386.00	830.00
William S. Gerhard	Jefferson, Md.	Jefferson	44	35	18	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	49	...	27.00	340.00
		Feagville	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	36.00	340.00
J. Philip Harner	Keedysville, Md.	Mt. Vernon	74	53	11	2	4	10	3	...	...	1	1	17	111	...	124.00	454.00
		Christ	85	60	15	...	3	6	...	...	...	1	3	15	105	...	134.00	375.00
		Mt. Moriah	45	40	9	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	108.00	185.00
Paul D. Yoder	Union Bridge, Md.	Baust	243	204	89	7	...	5	...	2	1	4	1	17	135	156	1087.00	1530.00	
		St. Paul's, Union Bridge	77	56	41	6	2	5	...	...	2	4	1	11	40	...	61.00	280.00
		St. Paul's, Ladiesburg	25	23	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43.00	190.00
Guy P. Bready	Taneytown, Md.	Grace	447	310	200	12	1	14	7	2	4	8	4	14	337	35	300.00	1899.04	
		Keyville	59	30	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	10	110	...	20.00	100.00
W. Lloyd Anderson	Burkittsville, Md.	Burkittsville	88	78	27	6	...	...	2	...	...	1	1	9	86	38	81.65	545.95
		Petersville	57	48	26	4	...	4	2	...	1	...	1	1	9	67	28.00	180.00	
Arthur P. Schnatz	Boonsboro, Md.	Trinity, Boonsboro	102	84	25	1	1	2	3	...	...	1	1	17	66	...	130.00	1455.00
		Christ, Funkstown	55	48	29	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	14	74	...	51.00	328.00
George G. Everhart	1518 W. Franklin St., Balto.	Without Charge	320	175	95	6	...	4	3	1	2	40	3	1	10	85	292.82	1005.00	
Franklin H. Blatt	Manchester, Md.	Trinity	150	119	140	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	19	239	350.00	350.00
		Lazarus	54	31	48	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	10	...	150.00
		St. Mark's	246	227	...	...	1	4	15	11	37	9	...	1	15	189	218.13	2088.33
Chalmers W. Walck	Westminster, Md.	St. Paul's, Westminster	353	243	158	21	1	20	5	4	5	3	3	1	35	380	250.00	2399.87	
John R. T. Hedeman	2214 E. Hoffman St., Balto.	St. Mark's, Balto.	424	320	65	9	1	17	40	...	6	...	5	2	1	135	3341.00	7350.00	
James Riley Bergoy	1423 Madison Ave., Balto.	Third, Balto.	150	95	85	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	15	125	...	49.00	905.56
Robert Miles Stahl	306 E. 23rd St., Balto.	St. Stephen's	264	244	126	4	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	20	292	...	964.00	905.00
J. Stewart Hartman	Cavetown, Md.	Christ	54	46	22	1	12	43	...	298.56	205.00	
		St. James'	1	1	

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J. Stewart Hartman.	Cavetown, Md.....	Wolfeville.....	29	25	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	30				\$ 77.50	\$ 105.00
Clarence C. Troxell.	Ridgely, Md.....	St. Paul's.....	145	94	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	35				57.22	159.85
Robert Lee Barr.....	Brunswick, Md.....	First Reformed.....	72	42	31	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	167				50.00	1167.46
Vacant.....	Frederick, Md., R. F. D. 7...	Knoxville.....	15	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	31	220				99.00	426.00
	Frederick, Md., R. F. D. 7...	St. Paul's.....	162	110	90	5	1	12	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	10	133			85.00	403.00
	Frederick, Md.....	Zion.....	136	96	79	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	104			39.00	192.00
	Frederick, Md.....	Grace.....	62	37	39	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	103			227.66	1227.65
Vacant.....	Walkersville, Md.....	The Glade.....	193	126	100	5	1	5	1	2	5	4	1	1	1	15	131			158.31	452.34
Joseph H. Apple, Pg.D., Lic.	Frederick, Md.....	St. John's.....	109	85	62	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	131				
Ernst Derendinger, Ph.D., Lic	Frederick, Md.....	Pres. Hood College.....																			
G. N. Hartman, A.B., Lic.....	Brd. St. Sta., Phila., Pa.....	Prof. Hood College.....																			
		Sec y P. R. R. Y. M. C. A.....																			
Ministers, 48.	Charges, 37.	Congregations, 67.	12084	9752	5192	448	69	437	169	104	169	104	152	43	60	1052	11033	1280	3	\$ 31224.35	\$88724.64
III. Mercersburg Classis—Rev. JOSEPH E. GUY, Stated Clerk.																					
W. C. Cramer, D.D.....	Chambersburg, Pa.....	St. Peter's.....	20	20	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36	491			\$ 137.85	\$ 150.00
Franklin F. Bahner, D.D.....	Waynesboro, Pa.....	Trinity.....	463	440	115	19	6	20	9	6	10	17	26	1	1	20	150		2	\$ 1700.00	\$ 2000.00
W. C. Schaeffer, Ph.D., D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.....	Salem.....	121	110	40	2	3	3	2	3	2	3	3	1	1	20	150			300.00	400.00
I. N. Peightel, D.D.....	Greencastle, Pa.....	Prof. of Theo. Seminary.....	370	330	55	3	5	6	4	1	9	6	6	1	1	22	453	66		3424.00	1970.00
Irwin W. Hendricks, D.D.....	Chambersburg, Pa.....	State Line.....	102	96	27	4	6	6	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	21	225	30		342.00	642.00
Titus A. Alsopach.....	Chambersburg, Pa.....	Zion's.....	390	300	90	7	3	10	5	3	12	11	1	1	1	23	316			9130.00	2904.00
Without Pastor.....	Mercersburg, Pa.....	St. John's.....	565	540	190	20	10	30	21	4	22	10	8	3	1	28	582	182	1	2860.00	3460.00
W. S. Brendle.....	Lamaster, Pa.....	Trinity.....	230	175	75	9	4	12	3	3	3	8	1	1	1	18	253			481.00	1100.00
		St. Paul's.....	157	132	31	4	1	2	3	10	4	1	4	1	1	20	275	39		311.00	580.00
		St. Paul's, Williamson.....	170	145	37	6	1	5	3	2	13	1	1	1	1	21	200	120		267.00	670.00
		Trinity, St. Thomas.....	139	110	26	5	1	5	3	2	13	1	1	1	1	12	125			356.00	1450.00
J. Leidy Yearick.....	McConnellsburg, Pa.....	St. Stephen's.....	96	75	22	3	2	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	298			249.00	425.00
		St. Paul's.....	157	110	39	5	2	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	194			260.00	595.00
		Hebron.....	35	26	13							4	1	1	1	19	194			57.00	122.00

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J. Leidy Yearick John W. Keener.....	McConnellsburg, Pa. Marion, Pa.	Zion's..... Grindstone Hill.....	24 191	20 156	20 25			1	1			3	3	1	1	20	199	58	1	\$ 54.00	\$ 64.00
Gustav Teske.....	Ft. Loudon, Pa.	Solomon's..... St. Peter's..... St. Luke's..... Fannettsburg.....	187 67 32 57	160 43 15 34	40 3 3 10	2 3 4	2 3 6	2 3 1	2 3 6	2 3 1	2 3 1	2	1	1	1	19 16 9 10	235 120 36 115	20		448.00	891.00
Wayne H. Bowers. Frank S. Fry.....	Irala Barri Bilbao. Shippensburg, Pa.	Spain..... Grace.....	330 294	204 91	91 9	1 2	11 1	19 7	4			7	4		1	26	441	91		759.00	1717.00
Joseph E. Guy.....	Upper Strasburg, Pa. Waynesboro, Pa.	Emmanuel..... St. Paul's.....	25 272	20 905	20 42	3 4	6 7	1	7			1	5		1	11	115			6.00	75.00
W.M.Irvine,Ph.D.L.L.D.,Lic. Geo. L. Omwake, Ph.D., Lic.....	Mercersburg, Pa. Collegeville, Pa.	Harbaugh's..... Pres. Mercersburg Academy. Pres. Ursinus College.....	106 76	45 3	3 3			3	3		9	25	3	1	1	15	75			885.00	1759.00
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 12.	Congregations, 24.	4369	3628	1073	114	47	125	73	18	115	66	110	13	21	414	5160	606	4	\$22,087.00	\$22,284.00
IV. Virginia Classis—Rev. T. K. Cromer, Stated Clerk.																					
John W. Rauch Nehemiah H. Skyles..... Thomas K. Cromer.....	Martinsburg, W. Va. Woodstock, Va. Winchester, Va.	Falling Waters..... Without Charge..... Centenary..... St. Paul's.....	17 115 29	3 90 43		56 16	5 1	2 2	2 3						1		35			\$ 11.00	.....
John M. Souder.....	Edinburg, Va.	St. John's..... St. Stephen's..... Christ.....	80 73 411	68 62 296	76 36 65	1 3 16	2 3 33	1 1 10	1 1 5	1 3 6	1 2 1	2	1	1	1	12	125	121	1	212.00	330.00
J. Silor Garrison Aaron M. Gluck..... Benjamin Keener Hay.....	Harrisonburg, Va. Martinsburg, W. Va. Mt. Jackson, Va.	St. John's..... St. Stephen's..... Christ.....	70 114 70	55 93 55	26 20 26	2 3 4	2 5 2	1 1 1	2 4 1	2 1 2	1 2 1	2	1	2	1	7	45	118		2488.00	3522.00
W. H. Causey.....	Woodstock, Va.	St. Paul's..... Calvary..... Brown Memorial.....	37 170 62	28 130 60	12 30 15	1 1 3	2 5 3	1 2 1	5 1 1	2 16 6	1	1	1	1	1	12	75	188	1	71.00	198.00
Samuel W. Beck.....	Mt. Crawford, Va.		122	112	33	5	3	3	2	2	1	1	6	1	1	9	127			93.00	272.00
																12	140			203.00	327.00

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Samuel W. Beck	Mt. Crawford, Va.	St. Michael's.	107	90	19	6	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	63	1	1	\$130.00	\$2722.00		
Clarence Woods.	Roanoke, Va.	Frieden's.	102	85	38	1	2	7	1	1	1	1	1	13	142	1	1	176.00	357.00		
Samuel J. Kirk	Staunton, Va.	St. Paul's.	126	105	31	4	3	8	6	1	5	1	1	23	200	42	42	261.00	2212.00		
		St. John's.	164	119	51	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	1	18	188	25	25	285.00	1550.00		
George E. Metger.	Tom's Brook, Va.	St. John's.	30	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	63	13	13	60.00	180.00
		St. John's.	150	142	33	2	5	3	3	6	3	3	3	1	18	110	110	371.00	2219.00		
		Emanuel.	70	64	18	2	3	8	1	1	1	1	1	13	134	134	134	109.00	...		
Stephen L. Flickinger.	Shepherdstown, W. Va.	Christ.	141	120	50	7	3	9	10	4	3	1	1	16	126	126	126	352.00	1288.00		
		Grace.	24	20	20	2	1	2	1	3	3	4	4	1	9	46	46	52.00	100.00		
E. William Stonebraker.	Lovettsville, Va.	St. James.	138	124	42	2	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	14	80	80	80	355.00	1500.00		
Noah H. Fravel.	Timberville, Va.	Trinity.	91	76	49	3	4	4	9	2	2	4	2	12	144	144	144	152.00	1081.00		
		St. Luke's.	143	101	75	4	2	8	2	8	2	8	2	1	14	99	99	123.00	413.00		
		Heidelberg.	25	15	14	1	5	1	1	1	3	2	1	1	19	19	19	4.00	22.00		
Vacant..	Mt. Crawford, Va.	Trinity.	82	59	5	1	5	1	1	3	3	2	1	12	19	12	12	153.00	392.00		
		St. Mark's.	78	60	70	11	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	117	117	117	95.00	...		
		St. Paul's.	46	45	...	5	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	116	116	116	55.00	42.00
		St. Andrew's.	30	30	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	89	89	89	112.00	245.00
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 15.	Congregations, 31.	2985.	2421	952	73	77	141	53	30	56	70	43	10	29	373	3256	188	3	\$ 7610.00	\$22393.00
V. North Carolina Classis—REV. J. C. LEONARD, D.D., Stated Clerk.																					
John Ingle.	Green Park, N. C.	Without Charge.																			
Michael L. Hedrick.	Lexington, N. C., R. 6.	Without Charge.																			
Peter M. Trexler, D.D.	Salisbury, N. C., R. 6.	Without Charge.																			
Paul Barringer, D.D.	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	Without Charge.																			
Joseph L. Murphy, D.D.	Hickory, N. C.	Corinth, Hickory.	323	275	108	6	3	7	8	7	7	4	3	1	1	14	239	27	\$ 1396.00	\$ 2629.00	
Jacob C. Leonard, D.D.	Lexington, N. C.	First, Lexington.	403	312	79	7	9	19	12	5	6	4	3	1	1	16	457	65	1045.00	1946.00	
J. M. Luther Lyerly, Ph.D.	Crescent, N. C.	Hedrick's Grove.	86	70	25	3	2	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	8	94	94	35.00	125.00		
	Lower Davidson Charge.	Mt. Tabor.	85	70	28	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	111	111	30.00	140.00		
Supply.		Jerusalem.	37	30	14	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	87	87	20.00	75.00		
		Beck's.	121	101	61	3	3	4	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	8	111	111	60.00	150.00	
James D. Andrew.	Newton, N. C.	President Catawba College.																			

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Julius H. Shuford.....	Hickory, N. C.....	Without Charge.....	62	53	14	1	1	5	3	2	2				1	10	77			\$100.00	\$ 470.00
William H. McNairy.....	Lincolnton, N. C.....	Emanuel, Lincolnton.....																			
Henry E. Sechler.....	China Grove, N. C.....	Without Charge.....	338	285	215	21	4	15	7	1	7	4	1		1	21	287			677.00	860.00
John H. Keller.....	China Grove, N. C.....	Mt. Zion.....	60	50	27	1		6				3			1	8	66			85.00	162.00
	West Rowan Charge.....	St. Paul's.....	54	32	1		1	1	1						1	14	144			102.00	256.00
	Winston-Salem, N. C.....	First, Waightown.....	100	62	24	5	2	9	2		1				1	9	80			87.00	244.00
David E. Bowers.....	Waightown Charge.....	Hebron.....	36	20		1	1	1		1	1				1	9	106			25.00	25.00
		Bethlehem.....	218	160	110	11		3	2		16	2			1	18	205	119	2	938.00	800.00
		Grace, Newton.....	30	28	9	1		2	10						1	9	59			49.00	350.00
Walter W. Rowe.....	Newton, N. C.....	First, Charlotte.....																			
Shuford Peeler.....	Charlotte, N. C.....	Without Charge.....																			
Allen R. Holsouser, M.D.....	Rockwell, N. C.....	Without Charge.....																			
Anthony Shulenberger.....	China Grove, N. C.....	Without Charge.....																			
E. Garver Williams, D.D.....	Tabor, N. C.....	Without Charge.....																			
Lee A. Peeler.....	High Point, N. C.....	First, High Point.....																			
Joseph W. Bell.....	Crescent, N. C.....	Supt. Nazareth O. H.....																			
A. Samuel Peeler.....	Lenoir, N. C.....	Zion, Lenoir.....																			
Columbus C. Wagoner.....	Salisbury, N. C.....	Faith, Salisbury.....																			
Dougan C. Cox.....	Thomasville, N. C.....	Emanuel.....																			
		Calvary.....	160	45		1	1	3	6	2	2				1	9	138			13.00	354.00
		Zion.....	113	60		1	1	1							1	13	183			5.00	200.00
		New Gilead.....	135	70	100	4	6	6			2		3		1	11	91			54.00	378.00
	Mt. Pleasant, N. C.....	Keller.....	43	18	35	1									1	6	58			8.00	166.00
	Gilead Charge.....	St. Luke's.....	61	58	15	1		7	1		2		2		1	9	69	18	1	93.00	300.00
John A. Koons.....	Rockwell, N. C.....	Ursinus.....	110	104	53	8	1	6	4	2	1	5	1	2	1	17	169	51	3	271.00	600.00
	Rockwell Charge.....	Bethany.....	80	75	25	2	3	9			4				1	16	151	79		163.00	400.00
		Without Charge.....																			
Macon A. Huffman.....	Lexington, N. C.....	Pilgrim.....	219	180	17	4	2	13	3		8		4		1	13	211	14		331.00	412.00
Jacob A. Palmer.....	Lexington, N. C., R. 1.....	Beulah.....	221	168	23	5	2	9	4		1		2		1	13	208		1	84.00	372.00
	Upper Davidson Charge.....	Bethany.....	76	60	33	1	1				1		1		1	10	92			54.00	135.00
		Smyrna.....	45	39	25	2		4					1		1	12	144			40.00	150.00
John C. Peeler.....	Conover, N. C.....	Bethany.....	36	32	20	3		3			10	4			1	7	51			39.00	100.00
	Catawba Charge.....	Trinity.....	98	86	31	18		7	10			1			1	13	172			296.00	525.00
		St. John's.....																			

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Albert F. Nace. William C. Lyerly	Mt. Pleasant, N. C. Bear Creek Charge.	Without Charge. St. James Bethel	91 200	62 184	28 79	1 5	7 11	2 4	8 2	1 1	2 1	1 1	15 13	110 277	20 38	\$423.00 489.00	\$ 451.00 404.00			
Harvey A. Welker	Salisbury, N. C., R. 3. Faith Charge.	Boger Shloh. Grace.	63 145	58 135	32 79	3 6	4 4	6 4	1 3	1 1	1 2	1 1	13 14	242 242	35 1	184.00 295.00	561.00 415.00			
G. Ermine Platt. H. A. M. Holshouser, Ph.D. Harvey A. Fesperman.	Thomasville, N. C. Winston-Salem, N. C. Newton, N. C., R. 1. South Fork Charge.	Mt. Hope Heidelberg, Thomasville. Schlatter Memorial St. Paul's Bethel Grace.	65 115 19 105	50 70 20 85	48 27 20 20	1 3 1 3	9 9 7 8	3 3 5 1	4 2 1 1	2 9 1 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	13 13 8 8	137 137 76 115	37 38	245.00 902.00 4200.00 300.00	224.00 245.00 300.00 225.00			
Abram D. Wolfinger, D.D. Harvey G. Kopenhaver Albert Klinger	Greensboro, N. C. High Point, N. C. Julian, N. C., R. 1. Guilford Charge.	Daniel's First, Greensboro. Bethel, High Point Mt. Hope Brick	51 138 72 222	35 108 40 124	7 33 27	2 7	14 5	5 2	25 4	1 1	1 1	1 1	23 265	85 60	313.00 1655.00 87.00 172.00	210.00 210.00 506.00 506.00				
Albert H. Zechiel	Burlington, N. C. Burlington Charge.	Burlington St. Mark's Fairview Memorial	95 170 125 21	70 150 115	41 25 10	5 2	8 1	4 3	2 3	3 58	1 1	1 1	11 8	168 165	60 50	119.00 14.00 233.00 700.00	506.00 250.00 250.00 100.00			
J. J. D. Andrew, Supply.	Maiden, N. C. Lincoln Charge.	St. Matthew's St. Matthew's	113 30	48 30	10 2	6 13	16 5	3 1	4 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	7 6	62 60	32 45	37.00 32.00	165.00 100.00			
Vacant J. L. Murphy, Supply. J. C. Leonard, Supply Vacant Vacant	Albemarle, N. C. Hickory, N. C. Lexington, N. C. Blowing Rock, N. C. Concord, N. C.	First Albemarle Faith, Brookford Second Lexington Mt. Bethel Trinity, Concord	11 50 91 6 108	5 30 47 70	25 30	6 25	18 19	2 4	3 10	7 2	1 1	1 1	6 10	107 191	59.00 112.00	130.00 633.00				
Ministers, 40.	Charges 31.	Congregations, 58.	6153	4595	1802	222	91	308	174	38	135	208	56	14	54	616	\$707	\$8911	\$11146.00	\$30161.00

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VI. Gettysburg Classis—Rev. MILTON WHITENER, <i>Stated Clerk.</i>																										
*Thomas J. Barkley, D.D. John H. Hartman.	Gettysburg, Pa. Hanover, Pa.	Pastor Emeritus.	359	330	220	17	2	30				1	1	5	1	1	1	29	326		1	\$ 162 25	\$ 550 00			
		St. Paul's.	100	85	50	8		13							4	1		19	172			55 00	175 00			
		Bethel.	292	175	115	6													242	65			141 00	2025 00		
		St. David's.	149	135	110	10			1											112	80			134 00	450 00	
Francis S. Lindaman, D.D. Marsby J. Koh Wharton A. Kline Nathan W. Sechler Theo. C. Hesson.	Littlestown, Pa. Hanover, Pa. Collegeville, Pa. York, Pa. Arendtsville, Pa.	St. Bartholomew's.	500	450	297	23	1	11	9	3	17	3	2	1	15	312		1	15	312			475 15	1510 00		
		Christ Church.	732	748	480	35	1	27	10	9	10	6	16	6	1	63	1094		1	63	1094		1	1553 00	3187 00	
		Trinity.																								
		Prof. in Ursinus College. Without Charge.																								
		Zion's.	335	296	115	8	1	15	4				4		5	1	1	23	329	75	2		1448 00	1006 00		
		Bender's.	154	126	75	3							2						165				166 00	450 00		
Silas P. Mauger George W. Welsh Abner S. Dechant Irwin S. Ditzler.	Hanover, Pa. Spring Grove, Pa. Hanover, Pa. East Berlin, Pa.	Trinity.	68	62	50	3	1	6	6	1	7							110	25			250 00	150 00			
		Grace.	280	260	85	21	3	26	6	1					1			1	30	450			768 00	1150 00		
		Mt. Zion.	225	200	100	11	5	4				3	4	1		1	20	245	100	1		3806 00	1900 00			
		Emmanuel.	571	432	138	4	2	33	11			6	12	6	1	35	395		1	5808 00	4300 00					
		Zwingli.	94	70	20	1	1					3				1	12	126	20		130 00	500 00				
		Emmanuel.	127	115	30	1	1	1				1				2	1	12	131	37	1		95 00	350 00		
Walter E. Garrett John L. Guth	New Oxford, Pa. Codorus, Pa.	St. John's.	128	112	30	7	1	5	2					1		1	17	110				102 00	325 00			
		St. Paul's.	60	52	20	2						1			1	1	10	130				30 00	110 00			
		Mt. Olivet.	60	54	20			3									8	50				21 00	115 00			
		St. Paul's.	255	233	88	6	11	1	1	2			2		2		1	21	267	57		542 00	1463 00			
Milton Whitener Jacob N. Faust.	Littlestown, Pa. Spring Grove, Pa.	Emmanuel.	202	178	35	2	1	3			5	4	1	1	12	135	22		382 00	811 00			344 00	811 00		
		St. Jacob's.	501	465	260	11	3	1	5	4	6	1	1	1	25	514	75		314 00	1410 00			160 00	620 00		
		Christ.	274	212	140	8	13	4	3	3	6	1	1	1	24	151	40		160 00	1594 00			110 00	1394 00		
		Zion.	161	134	125	4	9	3	2	2					1	23	163	80		110 00	1394 00			1091 00	2035 00	
Jacob N. Faust.	Spring Grove, Pa.	Redeemer's.	352	296	104	7	2	8	17	1	10	7	2	4	2	1	20	174	45		378 57	1821 43			90 47	211 00
		St. Peter's.	410	360	200	20	21	9	9	2		2	4	2	1	20	174	45		378 57	1821 43			90 47	211 00	
		St. Paul's.	100	96	40	7	11	1						2	1	1	22	80	50		88 76	210 00				
		St. Jacob's.	80	70	40	4		1			3			1		1	22	80	50							

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Valentine G. Hartman.....	Fairfield, Pa.	St. John's, Fairfield.....	139	88	76	6	7	21	7	2	8	13	2	1	1	13	102	18	..	\$188.00	\$ 610.00
		St. John's, McKnightstown..	120	98	30	7	1	2	4	1	..	1	16	100	166.00	505.00
Paul R. Pontius.....	Gettysburg, Pa.....	Trinity.....	66	60	25	7	4	2	..	1	12	53	101.00	261.00
		Trinity.....	397	371	150	14	6	39	26	7	1	3	1	1	1	31	401	722.41	2303.06
Herman S. Shelly.....	Littlestown, Pa.....	St. James'.....	120	111	75	1	..	2	6	..	3	..	1	19	176	61.31	485.00
		St. Luke's.....	115	105	69	2	..	8	11	..	4	..	3	..	1	20	244	58.28	625.00
		St. Mark's.....	70	64	40	4	1	5	6	2	1	1	1	11	85	16.07	545.00
Ministers, 18.	Charges, 15.	Congregations, 33.	7586	6643	3452	270	24	327	132	26	118	63	81	22	33	607	7558	854	7	\$19444.27	\$83795.49

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VII. Carlisle Classis—REV. J. ALVIN REBER, Stated Clerk.

J. Thomas Fox.....	New Bloomfield, Pa.....	New Bloomfield Charge.....	107	80	60	3	3	9	2	..	2	..	2	1	1	15	119	25	1	\$ 170.00	\$ 806.00
Elmer L. Coblentz.....	72 W. Pomfret St., Carlisle, Pa	St. John's.....	71	55	55	4	3	7	1	1	2	..	1	..	1	13	107	..	..	86.00	175.00
Thomas H. Matterness.....	Enola.....	St. First Reformed.....	450	379	179	4	..	7	10	4	6	..	5	..	1	45	519	46	..	1307.00	3135.00
		Newburg Charge.....	59	40	20	3	..	6	2	2	1	..	..	..	1	21	114	35	..	125.00	650.00
J. Alvin Reber.....	Newburg, Pa.....	Zion's.....	128	107	50	3	3	2	1	1	3	..	4	..	1	12	152	..	..	253.00	629.00
Charles R. Kehl.....	352 W. South St., Carlisle, Pa.	Sulphur Spring's Charge.....	61	57	20	4	1	2	4	..	2	..	6	..	1	15	178	56	..	98.00	300.00
		St. Matthew's.....	37	35	11	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	17	83	..	..	58.00	200.00
		Trinity.....	35	35	9	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	1	12	101	..	..	53.00	200.00
		Salem.....	18	16	5	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	16	116	..	..	28.00	100.00
John S. Adam.....	Mechanicsburg, Pa.....	Mechanicsburg Charge.....	278	205	70	4	3	6	8	2	1	..	5	1	1	26	267	27	..	818.00	3618.00
U. Oliver H. Kerschner.....	Newport, Pa.....	Peace (Supply) Church of the Incarnation.....	351	342	170	5	..	7	7	2	6	8	1	..	1	30	315	123	..	971.00	2575.00
Ralph E. Hartman.....	Marysville, Pa.....	Duncannon Charge.....	112	89	48	3	..	5	1	3	..	1	..	1	1	18	132	48	..	233.00	686.00
		Trinity.....	78	58	30	2	1	..	2	7	1	..	1	17	95	176.00	794.00
		Christ's.....

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Ralph E. Hartman.....	Marysville, Pa.....	St. David's Landisburg Charge.....	17	17	5								1	8	25	\$ 36.00	\$60.00	
A. Nevin Brubaker.....	Landisburg, Pa.....	St. Peter's.....	101	80	38	8	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	23	165	.....	1	780.00	344.00
		St. John's.....	86	72	21	3	1	1	1	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	15	112	.....	.....	172.00	358.00
		Lebanon.....	90	70	39	14	2	5	2	.....	.....	13	2	.....	.....	11	86	.....	.....	150.00	376.00
		Trinity.....	57	45	14	2	.....	1	.....	.....	3	5	2	.....	.....	10	72	.....	.....	103.00	249.00
E. V. Strausbaugh.....	Blain, Pa.....	Zion's Charge.....	148	117	.....	7	1	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	22	127	45	.....	462.00	425.00
		Trinity.....	24	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	73	.....	.....	.....	175.00
		Emmanuel's.....	26	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	52	.....	.....	.....	180.00
		Ickesburg.....	101	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	134	.....	.....	.....	650.00
Samuel T. Wagner.....	Alinda, Pa.....	Retired.....																			
Abner R. Kremer, D.D.....	Allen, Pa.....	Solicitor.....																			
Benjamin F. Bausman.....	1318 St te St., Harrisb'g, Pa.....	Cashier.....																			
Edwin D. Meixell.....	Cressona, Pa.....																				
Lie. Frank W. Shulenberger.....	11 W. 95th St., N. Y. City.....																				
Ministers, 11.	Charges, 10.	Congregations, 23.	2439	2030	844	70	14	71	49	15	33	44	39	5	22	377	3174	405	2	\$ 6080.00	\$16685.00
VIII. Juniata Classis—Rev. E. R. DEATRICK, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
Daniel G. Hetrick.....	Duncansville, Pa.....																				
Charles W. Warlick.....	Malden, N. C.....																				
Christian Gumbert.....	Schellsburg, Pa.....																				
Daniel E. Master.....	Huntingdon, Pa.....																				
J. Albert Eyster.....	Bedford, Pa.....																				
Calvin Skyles.....	Claysburg, Pa.....																				
			570	474	179	10	11	31	10	.....	15	8	5	.....	1	38	500	94	1	\$ 2388.00	\$ 2320.00
			385	315	103	14	.....	2	5	6	3	6	6	.....	1	16	435	.....	.....	1078.00	1902.00
			124	105	158	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	4	12	4	1	11	174	25	.....	251.00	360.00
			111	85	62	14	3	7	.....	1	.....	3	1	1	1	9	108	.....	.....	90.00	408.00
			119	75	70	5	2	11	.....	.....	1	.....	3	1	1	9	112	.....	.....	143.00	311.00
			116	88	110	7	2	6	.....	3	.....	6	3	1	1	10	83	.....	.....	62.00	475.00
			460	353	402	40	7	26	.....	4	.....	.....	18	9	4	39	477	45	.....	516.00	1559.00
Charles W. Levan, D.D.....	Alexandria, Pa.....		268	221	69	2	2	13	2	3	3	5	1	1	15	213	691.00	3107.00
			31	31	11	1	8	29	72.00	340.00

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Charles W. Levan D. D. Oswin S. Frantz Walter C. Pugh	1505 12th Ave., Altoona, Pa. Everett, Pa., R. F. D.	Alexandria Charge. Christ. Cove. Zion. Trinity. Friend's Cove Charge. Mt. Pleasant. St. John's. Zion. Hickory Bottom Charge. St. John's. Salem. Martinsburg Charge. St. Paul's. Grace. Trinity. Mc Zion. Sulphur Springs Charge.	307 589 155 34 87 276 100 60 20 180 129 132 261 135 161 48 344	242 456 146 33 73 252 95 59 23 79 174 115 117 232 192 108 129 277	80 370 3 3 6 40 23 16 20 74 32 45 77 17 2 93 17 11	2 11 3 3 6 23 23 11 8 2 3 3 4 1 2 2 11	13 17 9 6 2 9 3 3 6 9 11 6 9 4 9 5 1 1	2 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 4 4 2 2 4 4 5 1 1	3 2 9 2 3 2 3 3 4 4 2 2 2 2 1 1 1	6 26 3 1 1 2 4 4 4 4 15 9 21	5 3 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 3 5 6 9 3	1 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 7 6 3 3 3 3 1 1 1	2 1 16 1 3 1 1 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	23 36 16 1 16 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	242 403 160 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	\$ 763.00 1573.00 305.00 35.00 75.00 415.00 217.00 118.00 48.00 383.00 484.00 633.00 1324.00 2038.00 356.00 168.00 260.00 380.00 33.00 413.00	\$847.00 4971.00 423.00 229.00 335.00 1037.00 533.00 434.00 134.00 1101.00 691.00 633.00 1324.00 2038.00 356.00 168.00 805.00 1530.00 87.00 1617.00	
Bruce Griffith. George A. Ehrgood	Wichita, Kansas. Holidaysburg, Pa.	St. John's. Trinity. Holidaysburg.	106 84 190	98 78 170	86 54 140	4 3 7	5 1 6	6 4 9	5 9 1	3 1 1	3 9 1	1 1 1	1 1 1	1 13 25	13 115 25	13 26 253	138 110 253	1 25 25	232.00 207.00 439.00	1598.00 831.00 2489.00
Calvin G. Bachman.	Osterburg, Pa.	Trinity. St. Paul's. St. Mark's. St. Clairsville Charge.	225 113 48 386	155 78 43 276	100 20 40 160	5 2 1 8	2 1 1 4	9 1 3 13	9 1 2 12	4 18 3 9	1 3 3 7	1 1 1 2	1 1 1 7	2 15 15 3	26 208 291 638	17 110 55 165	25 110 1 1	253.00 286.00 250.00 930.00	500.00 500.00 250.00 930.00	
James H. Dorman.	Cessna, Pa.	Pleasant Hill. St. Paul's. St. Luke's. Dunnings Creek Charge.	123 112 71 308	98 97 63 258	80 43 27 100	5 12 6 17	1 5 3 6	5 12 3 5	1 5 1 5	1 1 18 1	1 1 1 1	2 2 1 5	1 2 1 1	1 12 14 38	1 30 116 314	1 12 14 38	1 14 31 314	212.00 148.00 623.00 2949.00	425.00 1047.00 2949.00 2949.00	

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George A. Bear.....	Saxton, Pa.....	Trinity.....	245	230	40	2	5	15	5	2	11	4	7	3	1	21	274	15	\$ 374.00	\$1150.00	
John K. Wetzel.....	McConnellstown, Pa.....	St. John's.....	30	25	12	1	1	2	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	10	60	65	25.00	225.00	
		Saxton, Pa.....	275	255	52	3	6	17	5	4	11	4	7	4	2	31	331	80	339.00	1375.00	
		Trinity.....	145	130	80	1	4	12	6	8	10	1	1	1	1	19	147	50	262.00	550.00	
		St. Paul's.....	38	28	18	1	1	1	1	7	3	1	1	1	1	11	74	15	55.00	250.00	
		St. Jacob's.....	38	35	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	65	65	34.00	125.00	
Albert A. Hartman, B.D..... T. Preston Fravel.....	Roaring Spring..... Schellsburg, Pa.....	McConnellstown Charge.....	221	193	128	1	4	12	6	15	13	2	2	3	42	286	65	251.00	925.00		
		Christ.....	175	161	73	5	5	7	8	3	4	7	2	1	1	23	221	58	365.00	1100.00	
		St. John's.....	73	58	30	2	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	9	71	71	9.00	105.00	
		St. Mark's.....	147	128	46	2	4	1	1	16	6	1	1	1	1	8	52	21	21.00	220.00	
		St. Luke's.....	28	19	12	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	17	123	12	42.00	80.00
Vacant..... *William F. Kosman..... *William H. Snyder..... *Lawrence C. T. Miller.....	Altoona, Pa..... Altoona, Pa..... Altoona, Pa..... Loysburg, Pa.....	Schellsburg Charge.....	248	205	88	5	4	1	1	2	21	8	2	1	6	18	123	60	632.00	2446.00	
		Grace, Altoona.....	290	264	156	18	1	7	5	3	14	16	3	2	1	18	304	30	1311.00	3640.00	
		Trinity, Altoona.....	614	470	191	17	4	10	9	4	26	47	10	2	1	37	453	60	243.00	991.00	
		Salem, Altoona.....	130	80	64	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	213	30	213.00	991.00	
		St. Luke's.....	78	53	55	40	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	213	30	100.00	150.00
Vacant.....	Yellow Creek Charge.....	St. John's.....	69	55	40	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	213	30	375.00	1000.00	
		St. Paul's.....	17	10	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	213	30	100.00	25.00
		Zion's.....	155	118	98	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	213	30	109.00	389.00
		St. Matthew's.....	127	89	33	6	2	5	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	13	173	49	105.00	461.00
		St. Paul's.....	76	67	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	35	29	83.00	258.00
Vacant.....	Woodcock Valley Charge.....	St. Paul's.....	314	255	64	9	3	8	8	3	8	5	5	3	42	273	78	297.00	1108.00		
		Salem.....	29	22	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	45	52	52.00	155.00	
		Bethel.....	23	21	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	75	38	38.00	150.00
		Shiloh.....	26	15	24	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	45	17	17.00	85.00
		Clear Ridge Charge.....	78	58	41	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	28	165	107.00	300.00	
Ministers, 26.....	Charges, 24.....	Congregations, 68.....	7172	5853	3029	236	62	298	303	59	156	220	100	28	47	670	7202	2187	7 \$14122.00	\$4854.00	

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VI. GERMAN SYNOD OF THE EAST—New York Classis.

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					Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Depts. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
I. New York Classis—E. W. C. BRUECKNER, <i>Stated Clerk</i>.																								
Jacob Schmitt.....	612 E. 141 St., New York.....	St. Paul.....	404	332	378	65	2	40	7	2	42	5	4	1	28	513	110						\$560 00	\$2846 00
Otto B. Moor.....	261 Tns'd St., New Brunswick N.J.	St. John.....	347	191	91	9	2	14	22	43	1	19	6	1	21	174	70						557 00	3555 00
Herman G. Wiemer.....	46 Chapel St., Bridgeport.....	German Reformed.....	385	252	120	24	1	12	18	1	13	13	7	2	1	21	150	111					434 00	4407 00
William G. Barny.....	Milltown, New Jersey.....	St. Paul.....	412	257	191	21	3	16	10	4	16	6	12	1	38	383	85	1					430 00	2369 00
Wenzel Walenta.....	396 Graham Ave., Brooklyn.....	Emanuel.....	456	420	225	72	3	16	10	4	16	6	12	1	12	114	47					528 00	2451 00	
Eugene F. Burger.....	438 W. 47 St., New York City.....	Martha Memorial.....	218	127	78	19	7	6	23	4	23	4	1	1	35	539	83					185 00	3125 00	
Paul Wienand.....	54 Wyona St., Brooklyn.....	Christ.....	394	299	281	38	3	16	23	4	23	4	1	1	13	145	31					525 00	3552 00	
	Holyoke, Mass.....	German Reformed.....	165	112	80	5	6	3	3	4	1	3	4	1	1	11	115	15					61 00	1755 00
	235 E. 109 St., New York.....	Bethany.....	30	15	5	5	4	4	4	4	3	4	1	1	10	115	15					11 00	900 00	
Ernst W. C. Brueckner.....	98 Forbes St., Boston, Mass.....	Christ.....	106	75	40	4	1	4	4	4	6	14	2	2	11	154	48					121 00	1858 00	
Henry Bram.....	60 Hansan St., Brooklyn.....	St. Luke.....	157	112	180	19	9	4	9	2	48	3	38	1	26	615	70					181 00	2872 00	
Max J. H. Walenta.....	1739 Grove St., Brooklyn.....	Ridgewood Heights.....	200	170	100	43	44	9	9	2	48	3	38	1	26	615	70					181 00	4339 00	
Alexander Ludman.....	Pine St., Bridgeport, Conn.....	Magyar Reformed.....	180	180	100	87	23	1	17	2	6	2	1	1	29	280	58					108 00	1150 00	
Paul H. Land.....	682 Walker Ave., W'haven.....	Woodhaven.....	88	75	95	4	1	9	17	2	6	2	1	1	10	122	16					4 00	142 00	
	Torrington, Conn.....	Magyar Reformed.....	60		30	2			17															
George A. Goddum.....	Kaplan & DeGraw, Jamaica.....	Supt. of Orphanage.....																						
Henry Frech.....	Mass. Ave., Atlantic City.....	Without Charge.....																						
Edward C. Stubi.....	Bridgeport, Conn.....	Without Charge.....																						
John Wirz.....	Winterthur, Switzerland.....	Without Charge.....																						
William Dickmann.....	243 Wallabout St., Brooklyn.....	Missionary to the Jews.....																						
Charles F. A. Klein.....		Without Charge.....																						
Ministers, 18.			3302	2621	1912	417	11	290	23	160	28	221	62	76	11	272	3482	777	1	\$ 4552 00	\$37850 00			
Charges, 14.			Congregations, 15.																					
II. West New York Classis—F. W. ENGLEMAN, <i>Stated Clerk</i>.																								
Conrad Hassel.....	71 Locust St., Buffalo, N. Y.....	Zion's.....	1100	900	350	21	23	...	10	13	90	21	4	1	27	363	56	2					\$1214 00	\$11000 00
Dietrich A. Bode.....	103 Hamilton St., Rochester.....	Emanuel.....	425	252	200	13	17	...	7	...	4	1	1	1	31	469	...	3					880 00	4370 00
Edwin G. Piciffer.....	Clarence, N. Y.....	First Reformed.....	93	63	16	1	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	1	5	92	21					105 00	850 00
H. F. A. Schultz.....	Elmhurst, N. Y.....	Ebenezer.....	260	135	139	2	4	...	3	...	9	...	...	...	11	110	70					175 00	1244 00	
R. A. Most.....	417 Sherman St., Buffalo.....	Salem.....	500	421	171	21	9	...	10	...	26	7	2	1	17	173	70	1					187 00	3506 00

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
V. J. Tingler.....	384 Humboldt P'kway, Buffalo.	Emanuel.	718	614	238	14	25	10	7	11	12	1	26	368	164				\$196.00	\$15700.00	
William G. Klein.....	102 Brook St., Titusville, Pa.	St. Paul's.	215	160	82	6	3	14	2	4	2	3	1	15	154				720.00	1348.00	
Henry M. Gersmann.....	125 Doat St., Buffalo, N. Y.	Jerusalem.	464	218	200	16	1	13	1	2	2	2	1	25	280	68			177.00	3010.00	
W. A. Settlage.....	35 Duerstein Ave., Buffalo.	St. Paul's.	475	389	270	21	4	19	2	1	4	17	3	39	387	65			125.00	3900.00	
F. W. Engelmann.....	54 Rohr St., Buffalo, N. Y.	Zoar.	412	325	130	19	22	3	13	3	3	1	1	22	307	43	2		147.00	2857.00	
George J. Meek.....	8 Lilac St., Buffalo, N. Y.	St. Johannes.	281	218	104	20	2	14	8	2	5	2	1	12	178	41			140.00	2200.00	
Jacob Kappeli.....	6 Alson, Warren, Pa.	Emanuel's.	180	99	50	11	7	1	13	1	1	1	1	10	113	32			75.00	937.00	
William Huber.....	412 Ash St., Ridgway, Pa.	First Reformed.	328	190	150	11	1	5	3	1	4	3	1	14	155				200.00	1473.00	
E. G. Pfeiffer.....	428 N. J.....	Trinity Reformed Church.	9	8	16	.....	9	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52					.....	75.00
C. H. Gundlach.....	428 Wyoming Ave., Buffalo.	Emeritus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. E. Dahlmann, D.D., s.....	428 Huron Ave., Sheboygan.	Professor der Theologie im Missionshaus, F'klin, Wis.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. H. Hoch.....	256 Clay Ave., Rochester.	Ohne Stelle.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. Struchbing.....	3422 Galena St., Milwaukee.	Ohne Stelle.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 19.	Charges, 14.	Congregations, 11.	5160	3902	2116	165	10	175	17	97	28	146	92	16	14	254	3201	630	8	\$1641.00	\$52560.00

Students for the Ministry: Albert A. Menssling, Victor Steinberg, Arthur R. Belsheim, Wilhelm H. Bollmann, Carl Hassel, Leland Hirsch, Walter Prien, Harry Tullis.

III. German Philadelphia Classis—M. F. DUMSTREY, Stated Clerk.

A. W. Klingner.....	341 Fairmount Ave., Phila.	Salem.	412	405	163	20	7							7	12	1	1	18	219	31			\$389.00	\$2910.00
P. H. Dippl, Ph.D., D.D.....	1220 N. 6th St., Phila., Pa.	Zion.	660	525	200	72	27	1	15	1	26	14	3	1	40	500	75		921.00	3211.00				
George Kern.....	2319 E. Dauphin St., Phila.	Bethlehem.	213	128	?	6								1	16	184	38		69.00	3299.00				
H. J. F. Gramm.....	Egg Harbor City, N. J.	St. John.	97	70	80	8	1	9	1	6				1	11	100	44		84.00	750.00				
H. J. F. Gramm.....	Folsom, N. J.	Zion.	31	16	10	3					4	1		1	3	41	10		26.00	150.00				
Francis J. Schmuck.....	Glassboro, N. J.	Bethlehem.	91	69	30						2			1	10	65	55	1	.....	130.00				
J. B. Forster.....	2631 Filmore St., Phila., Pa.	Emanuel.	200	195	160	26	10	2	2	3	6	2	1	18	222	40		130.00	.....	130.00				
Benjamin S. Stern, D.D.....	413 N. 38 St., Philadelphia	Emanuel.	467	320	150	12	14	6	11		8			1	24	240	56	1	748.00	4350.00				
Paul Sommerlatte.....	1315 S. Cleveland Ave., Phila.	St. Paul's.	440	389	180	30	11	9	2	26	20	2	1	26	351	37	1	332.00	.....	332.00				
George A. Scheer, D.D.....	2104 N. 6 St., Philadelphia.	St. Mark's.	600	545	225	35	12	35	12	30	16	5	1	34	515			474.00	.....	474.00				
George P. Seibel.....	109 N. Mulby St., Lancaster.	St. John.	245	152	115	8	10	2	2	4			1	20	22	70		204.00	204.00				

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Carl H. Gramm.....	822 Washington St., Read'g.....	Zion.....	680	521	255	21	1	26	9	31	7	28	12	2	1	36	723	82	..	\$1760.00	\$3339.00	
M. F. Dunstrey.....	921 N. 26 St., Philadelphia.....	St. Luke's.....	208	280	140	40	18	15	..	..	..	26	10	3	1	20	332	69	..	216.00	2875.00
August Piscator.....	3391 Frankford Ave., Phila.....	St. John.....	478	437	148	42	29	1	21	..	..	43	9	11	1	46	575	101	..	295.00	3738.00
U. O. Silvius.....	3623 N. 5th St., Philadelphia.....	St. Matthew's.....	536	500	300	90	3	54	23	4	40	17	5	1	1	39	700	129	..	1019.00	5000.00	
C. E. Bartholomew.....	261 Walnut St., Pottstown.....	St. Paul.....	194	120	100	11	4	4	..	..	4	3	..	..	1	19	156	..	..	40.00	1050.00
C. E. Bartholomew.....	261 Walnut St., Pottstown.....	St. John's Hill Church.....	354	265	85	6	15	1	4	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80.00	850.00
William G. Weiss.....	2434 S. 72nd St., Philadelphia.....	Karmel.....	180	164	112	30	18	3	41	5	13	10	4	2	23	260	22	..	88.00	3250.00		
G. A. Haack.....	1008 Magee St., Philadelphia.....	Bethany.....	145	81	150	7	7	..	9	1	5	3	..	..	1	14	188	75	..	76.00	3191.00
William Toennes.....	169 N. Laurel St., Hazelton.....	Grace.....	950	675	295	36	24	5	20	4	..	18	4	1	42	570	185	1	427.00	6861.00		
C. E. Correll, Ph.D.....	West Hazelton, Pa.....	St. Paul's.....	316	251	253	27	1	25	4	3	3	12	1	2	1	23	310	57	..	67.00	2568.00	
E. H. Wessler.....	1324 N. Robinson St., Phila.....	Hope.....	170	143	80	10	6	9	27	..	7	..	..	..	1	21	240	30	..	132.00	3600.00
F. W. Berleman, D.D.....	5918 Ellsworth St., Phila.....	Reading, Pa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. H. Leser.....	Breinsville, Pa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. G. Steinert.....	Ref'd Ch'ch Bldg., Phila., Pa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Conrad Hauser, D.D.....	R. F. D. 29, Plym'th, Wis.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
E. A. Hofer, D.D.....	563 Walnut St., Lancaster.....	St. Paul's, Hamlin, Pa.....	160	144	.....	2	1	9	..	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	117.00	402.00
C. V. Dippell, Ph.D.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
William Hinke.....	Licentiate., Philadelphia.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
E. Luterbein.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Henry S. Gehman, Ph.D.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ministers, 29.			7830	6395	3330	507	11	361	42	253	54	269	183	44	23	505	6517	1209	4	\$7683.00	\$60677.00	
Charges, 21.			Congregations, 23.																			
IV. German Maryland Classis—J. SOMMERLATTE, Stated Clerk.			Charges, 9.																			
J. N. Hauser.....	1012 Bennett Pl., Balto., Md.....	St. John's Fourth Reformed.....	266	209	94	16	2	9	..	4	5	..	1	16	176	25	..	\$209.00	\$2481.00
Paul H. Schnatz.....	312 S. Patt'n P'k Ave., Balto.....	St. Paul's Fifth Reformed.....	430	358	225	24	..	20	..	20	3	29	11	..	1	18	162	40	..	202.00	2628.00	
J. S. Kosower.....	306 N. Schroeder St., Baltimore	Immanuel Reformed.....	439	301	108	16	..	9	13	3	39	11	..	..	1	26	251	58	1	569.00	5777.00
James D. Bucher.....	1723 13th St., Wash., D. C.....	First Reformed.....	409	286	198	16	..	18	..	..	24	4	1	1	27	326	..	..	..	385.00	2230.00
John Sommerlatte.....	1217 Caroline St., Balto., Md.....	Zion Reformed.....	315	173	242	40	1	11	5	6	..	11	7	2	1	27	344	60	1	308.00	1923.00	
J. G. Grimmer.....	607 Cumberland St., Balto.....	Frieden Reformed.....	228	181	175	20	..	5	4	2	..	3	2	1	1	15	166	35	..	80.00	2416.00	
R. O. Caslos.....	207 W. Franklin St., C'mberl'd	Zion Reformed.....	140	98	27	15	2	18	1	2	..	6	1	1	1	11	150	70	..	48.00	1233.00	
W. R. Strietmeier.....	245 S. East Ave., Baltimore.....	Bethel Reformed.....	190	165	110	18	1	6	2	28	..	6	3	4	1	19	208	18	..	65.00	1400.00	
J. N. Hauser (supply).....	Jacksonville, Md.....	First Reformed.....	24	20	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. C. Schluter.....	Fullerton Br. P. O., Balto.....	St. John's (Independent).....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ministers, 10.			2441	1791	1192	165	6	96	12	75	3	111	41	9	8	159	1783	306	3	\$1866.00	\$20088.00	
Charges, 9.			Congregations, 9.																			

VII. CENTRAL SYNOD

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I. Erie Classis—REV. J. H. C. ROENTGEN, Stated Clerk.																				
C. Hoffmann.....	1946 West 32, Cleveland, O.	First Reformed.....	235	164	104	9	3	3	2	2	5	5	1	1	18	213	\$ 473 00	\$ 1553 00
P. H. Vollmer, Jr.....	1223 East 99 St., Cleveland	Second Reformed.....	156	85	100	2	6	3	..	..	1	..	4	..	11	115	40	..	218 00	5000 00
Henry Schmidt.....	1561 East 36 St., Cleveland	Third Reformed.....	520	460	250	49	30	..	..	..	1	29	22	2	42	342	40	..	690 00	2209 00
A. Krampe.....	3104 W'dbridge Ave., Clevel'd.	Fourth Reformed.....	418	250	214	15	10	1	2	1	7	5	6	1	22	250	65	..	650 00	3720 00
C. Russom.....	6713 Hague, Cleveland, O.	Fifth Reformed.....	351	110	94	14	10	1	10	1	1	8	..	1	18	152	41	..	177 00	3920 00
F. Hoffmann.....	4843 Wendell, Cleveland, O.	Sixth Reformed.....	325	210	135	15	16	1	3	2	14	5	..	1	11	151	..	..	954 00	1401 00
J. H. C. Roentgen.....	1977 West 100 St., Cleveland.	Seventh Reformed.....	120	109	39	7	2	12	1	2	5	2	1	1	12	79	10	..	132 00	738 00
A. J. Frantz.....	1256 East 74 St., Cleveland.	Ninth Evangelical Reformed.	727	650	475	69	5	29	28	12	15	16	19	1	26	486	45	..	780 00	3800 00
E. M. Preuss.....	723 East 101, Cleveland, O.	Tenth Reformed.....	127	102	82	8	3	7	..	..	3	30	..	..	8	107	42	..	151 00	1430 00
H. Eickelberg.....	13610 McElhattan, Clevel'd.	Eleventh Reformed.....	84	64	53	7	1	7	20	..	..	5	..	..	1	6	65	17	..	97 00
Fred. Mayer.....	117 W. Wood St., Cleveland.	First Reformed.....	700	445	170	20	13	9	8	10	6	4	..	..	1	25	344	40	..	847 00
D. R. Raiser.....	168 Jefferson, Tiffin, Ohio.	Second Reformed.....	353	211	98	9	3	2	3	2	2	2	9	..	1	23	..	77	2	255 00
W. S. Richard.....	508 Hancock, Sandusky, O.	First Reformed.....	375	343	205	23	16	..	8	4	..	..	3	6	1	21	306	58	..	607 00
Vacant.....	Kelly Island, O.	Kelly Island Reformed.....	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2958 00
A. C. Pretzer.....	Vermillion, O.	Vermillion Reformed.....	180	120	70	4	..	3	1	..	..	5	..	1	19	162	32	..	200 00	1065 00
A. C. Pretzer.....	Vermillion, O.	Brownhelm Reformed.....	90	50	40	..	6	..	..	1	..	..	2	1	..	60	..	..	112 00	465 00
William Dreher.....	2180 East 80 St., Cleveland.	Euclid Reformed.....	105	83	22	4	2	..	..	..	1	1	3	1	8	28	12	..	78 00	465 00
Vacant (C. F. Dewitz).....	Ceylon, O.	Ceylon, Reformed.....	110	50	9	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	65	..	101 00	454 00
Vacant (C. F. Dewitz).....	Birmingham, O.	Birmingham Reformed.....	65	50	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	40	21	..	100 00
Vacant (J. Belser).....	Monroeville Reformed.....	Monroeville Reformed.....	40	37	2	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	22	..	38 00	175 00
W. Friebohn.....	Vermillion, Ohio.	Zions Rcf., Rocky River.....	36	30	25	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	30	..	15 00	300 00
A. Becker.....	2969 W. 25 St., Cleveland, O.	Central Publishing House.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Th. C. Henschen.....	2969 W. 25 St., Cleveland, O.	Central Publishing House.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Christian Schiller.....	3507 W. 25 St., Cleveland, O.	Emeritus.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. H. Stepler.....	1366 Sloan Ave., Lakew'd, O.	German Hospital.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
F. W. Leitch.....	3305 Franklin Ave., Clevel'd, O.	Without Charge.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. Korbel.....	2809 E. 68 St., Cleveland, O.	Emeritus.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. Nau.....	Berlin Heights, O.	Emeritus.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
C. H. Schoepfle.....	Birmingham, Ohio.	Emeritus.....

CENTRAL SYNOD—Erie Classis—Continued.

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J. W. Belser.....	1365 W. 59 Ave., Cleveland.....	Without Charge.....																			
C. F. Dewitz.....	2969 W. 25 St., Cleveland, O.....	Central Publishing House.....																			
G. O. Grueningen.....	Altadena, California.....	Without Charge.....																			
Ministers, 27.....	Charges, 19.....	Congregations, 21.....	5,047	3,223	2,185	263	14	167	24	86	43	115	92	34	20	293	334	510	2	\$ 6775 00	\$36378 00
Students for the Ministry: W. L. Chestiker and F. Holdstab, in Central Theological Seminary.																					
II. Heidelberg Classis—REV. F. H. KELLER, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
L. H. Kunst.....	New Knoxville, O.....	First Reformed.....	961	740	460	37	27	13	14	16	4	12	10	8	2	66	884	115	9	\$ 4668 00	\$ 9754 00
F. W. Hoernemann.....	322 W. Wayne St., Lima, O.....	German Ev. Reformed.....	511	344	138	13	13	13	3	4	4	4	16	4	1	25	316			1826 15	3003 90
G. F. Feldwisch.....	Bucyrus, O., R. R. 4.....	St. John's Reformed.....	157	99	55	8	3	11	3	1	1	4	4	3	1	14	134	23		643 00	1118 00
G. F. Feldwisch.....	Bucyrus, O., R. R. 4.....	Clyde Immanuel.....	88	41	18	2	4						2		1	15	73			117 00	457 00
C. M. Schaaf, D.D.....	Spencerville, O.....	St. John's Reformed.....	86	74	35	2									1	12	101			78 00	850 00
F. B. Ruf.....	Galion, O.....	First Reformed.....	668	527	320	20	4	22	9	4	5	30	8	1	1	27	551	67		1320 00	7678 00
F. H. Keller.....	Bucyrus, O., 116 S. Lane St.....	St. John's Reformed.....	320	258	81	10	1	5	3	3	5	4	9	1	23	252			615 00	1929 00	
Benj. E. Lienkaemper.....	Upper Sandusky, Ohio.....	Trinity Reformed.....	258	208	103	8	7	4			8	4	8		31	259	81		415 00	4038 00	
W. H. Lahr.....	Bluffton, Ohio.....	Emmanuel Reformed.....	255	205	112	7	5	12	3		9	3		1	31	253	49		429 00	1561 00	
W. H. Lahr.....	Bluffton, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	221	167	102	5	3	6	1		1	2	1	1	21	318	50		525 00	1411 00	
J. F. Reimers.....	Carrollton, Ohio.....	Windfall Reformed.....	115	74	28	3	2	11	2	1	5	2	2	1	8	104			195 00	1146 00	
J. F. Reimers.....	Carrollton, Ohio.....	St. John's.....	108	65	29	4	4	5	3	3	1	1	5	1	1	8	113			120 00	495 00
Louis C. Hessert.....	Crestline, Ohio.....	Cressline Reformed.....	401	325	140	7	14	8	3	2		3	5		22	328	52		688 00	3766 00	
R. W. Bloemker.....	New Bremen, Ohio.....	Zion's.....	252	184	108	9	2	20	2	9		2	2	1	30	280	55	2	778 00	2068 00	
H. W. Bloemker.....	New Bremen, Ohio.....	Ft. Loramie Emmanuel R. f. d.....	17	14	10										1	6	92		16 00	100 00	
H. J. Herber.....	Marion, O., 364 S. Prospect.....	First Reformed.....	358	273	135	16	4	16	4	3	15	4	5	3	1	18	373	88		538 45	1700 00
D. B. Shuey, D.D.....	520 Lincoln Way., Galion, O.....	Peace Reformed.....	97	73	35	3		1	3	1	3	1		1	18	113			190 00	690 00	
D. B. Shuey, D.D.....	520 Lincoln Way., Galion, O.....	Emmanuel Reformed.....	46	37	13	3		4		3	1				1	12	60		55 00	300 00	
J. C. Schaaf.....	Prospect, Ohio.....	Prospect Reformed.....	225	190	24	3	1	10	1		3	1		2	33	191			357 00	1300 00	
J. B. Rust, Ph.D. (Supply).....	Tiffin, Ohio.....	Findlay Reformed.....	51	37	18	3	1	1		3		2			1	9			21 89	289 95	
E. C. Burkhardt.....	Waldo, Ohio.....	St. Joseph's Reformed.....	195	89	60	5	1	1	2	2		3		3	1	18	220		47 00	400 00	

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E. C. Burkhardt.....	Waldo, Ohio.....	St. Jacob's Reformed.....	61	51	7	1	3	2	1	10	50	\$	28 00	\$ 5500 00
E. C. Burkhardt.....	Waldo, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	60	50	8	2	4	3	2	2	1	9	45		54 00	400 00
Independent Congregations—(Totals not counted in Classical Statistics)																				
F. H. Rupnow.....	St. Marys, Ohio.....	St. Paul's Reformed.....	5457	4197	2077	179	44	184	65	43	89	54	69	35	28	456	5178	580 11	\$13661.49	\$49925 00
Andrew Hocker.....	143 Summit Ave., Galion, O.	St. Paul's Reformed.....	642	508	190	21	6	22	14	26	4	40	5	1	1	29	643	62	494 00	10580 00
D. Burghalter, Field Sec'y	Tiffin, Ohio.....	St. Paul's Reformed.....	144	138	42	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	3	.....	1	11	108	.....	75 00	725 00
K. Kriete, Missionary	Yamagata, Japan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Beck (Retired)	Loveland, Col.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. Hartman (Retired)	Bucyrus, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
C. Badertscher (Retired)	St. Marys, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
L. C. Martin, (Invalid)	Drawer M, Toledo, Ohio.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. Spies (Invalid)	Decatur, Ind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 25.			Charges, 16.																	
Students under care of Classis:			Julius Eschmeyer, G. W. Schnoer, W. H. Ochrich, Moritz Clausung, A. R. Fledder Johann, Marcus Grether, Jno. Otto Meyer, H. W. Huber Kamp, Fred. L. Kinley.																	
III. St. John's Classis—REV. ALFRED GRETH, Stated Clerk.																				
Theo. P. Bolliger.....	901 E. Tuscararus, Canton..	First Reformed.....	1070	601	407	16	6	28	14	7	15	28	13	5	1	60	953	35	\$ 1579 00	\$ 6670 00
Claude F. King.....	R. F. D. 2, New Phila., Ohio..	Stone Creek, Jerusalem's.....	237	146	92	9	21	8	.....	.....	2	14	2	2	1	22	271	49	228 00	88 00
Claude F. King.....	R. F. D. 2, New Phila., Ohio..	Stone Creek, Zion's.....	90	68	33	3	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	19	260	.....	51 00	197 00
Claude F. King.....	R. F. D. 2, New Phila., Ohio..	Stone Creek, St. John's.....	48	30	18	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	30 00	.....
Samuel J. T. Fiohr.	Mt. Eaton, Ohio.....	St. Paul's Reformed.....	603	241	264	7	18	33	13	1	13	9	1	1	20	246	54	317 00	1500 00	.....
Henry A. Clausung	Sugar Creek, Ohio.....	First Reformed.....	333	184	90	5	3	4	.....	2	1	8	.....	.....	1	16	276	.....	239 00	1041 00
George A. Dreilbiches.	New Bedford, Ohio.....	Zion's Reformed.....	328	270	85	8	11	5	.....	12	2	.....	.....	.....	1	17	158	.....	.....	330 00
George A. Dreilbiches.	New Bedford, Ohio.....	.....	72	60	29	3	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	1	10	32	.....	401 00	943 00
Herman F. Limbacher.	Ragersville, Ohio.....	Zion Reformed.....	275	190	139	9	2	5	7	9	3	1	1	1	17	178	66	1	30 00	114 00
Herman F. Limbacher.	Ragersville, Ohio.....	St. Jacob's Reformed.....	58	45	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	9	51	.....	150 00	784 00
Scott V. Kohrbaugh.....	Mineral City, Ohio.....	St. Paul's (Mineral City).....	85	68	30	3	1	4	1	9	3	1	15	174	25

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes			
Scott V. Rohrbach.....	Mineral City, Ohio.....	St. Paul's (Waynesburg).....	83	79	9	1	3	10	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	11	79	...	...	\$ 216.00	\$ 503.00	
Scott V. Rohrbach.....	Mineral City, Ohio.....	Salem Reformed.....	67	63	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	87	...	...	379.00	338.00
Albert J. Levensgood.....	Walnut Creek, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	239	...	...	3	2	7	4	4	3	2	2	...	2	18	95	...	...	101.00	1000.00
Albert J. Levensgood.....	Walnut Creek, Ohio.....	Trail Swiss Reformed.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dietrich Hagelskamp.....	53 E. Center St., Akron, O.....	First German Reformed.....	978	583	84	84	32	2	37	3	3	12	5	1	1	32	693	25	2	2040.00	3621.00			
Wallace W. Faust.....	220 N. 5th St., New Phila., O.....	St. John's Reformed.....	852	472	334	10	14	42	27	7	10	22	7	1	1	36	685	82	...	1323.00	3529.00			
Isaiah S. Hawn, Ph.D.....	Glenmont, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	219	150	64	3	3	7	3	11	1	6	2	2	1	10	132	...	...	50.00	564.00	
Isaiah S. Hawn, Ph.D.....	Glenmont, Ohio.....	Trinity (Not Counted)*.....	140	120	45	4	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80	...	...	...	20.00	570.00
Henry C. Blosser.....	Orrville, Ohio.....	Christ Reformed.....	640	400	108	13	6	29	2	2	7	8	1	1	1	48	650	52	...	1468.00	5015.00			
Alfred Grether.....	208 E. Oxford St., Alliance, O.....	Christ Reformed.....	605	361	215	11	3	10	29	3	9	3	3	1	1	25	412	...	...	454.00	4225.00	
Vacant.....	3644 Noble St., Bellaire, O.....	First Reformed.....	300	180	100	12	2	23	2	10	2	3	4	18	1	20	375	45	1	252.00	2500.00			
Benjamin J. Holtkamp.....	Helvetia, W. Va.....	Zion's Reformed.....	145	60	100	6	5	5	2	3	3	30	7	5	2	16	137	23	...	164.00	890.00			
Samuel H. Matzke.....	30-36th St., Wheeling, W. Va.....	St. Stephen's Reformed.....	250	150	140	33	5	11	22	...	...	...	6	1	1	18	228	75	...	85.00	2000.00
Carl Imhof.....	Bakersville, Ohio.....	St. Peter's Reformed.....	160	88	60	3	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	19	238	71	1	87.00	560.00
Joseph A. Keller, D.D.....	Portage Path, Akron, Ohio.....	Salem Reformed.....	119	65	...	4	2	18	5	1	3	...	...	...	1	11	127	...	...	75.00	385.00
Gustav Doleh, D.D.....	Cleveland, Ohio.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles Schmitt.....	47 W. Oxford St., Alliance, O.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charges, 17.			7856	4614	3077	249	73	339	116	127	90	135	97	45	23	480	6510	602	6	\$ 9728.00	\$39947.00			
Congregations, 25.				
*Independent. Fred. C. Heil, Bellaire, O.; John Regula, Fiat, O.; Carl Warnes, Shanesville, O.; J. Eugene Youngen, R. F. D., Stone Creek, O., Alfred Yost, Akron, O.; Elias Knoch, Akron, O.				
IV. Cincinnati Classis—REV. A. SEYRING, Stated Clerk.																								
J. Otto Vitz.....	1809 Fr'm'n Ave., Cincinnati, O.....	First German Reformed.....	512	360	200	13	...	2	1	3	7	...	13	2	1	35	571	62	...	\$ 1640.00	\$ 3315.00			
Carl F. Hoyl.....	1425 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, O.....	Salem Reformed.....	480	311	350	31	...	6	4	1	5	22	12	4	1	39	844	73	1	745.00	6106.00			
Anton Seyring, D.D.....	Mt. Healthy, Ohio.....	Emmanuel St. Bernard R. f. d. Evangelical Reformed.....	209	185	68	18	...	10	...	4	...	5	3	2	1	20	200	40	...	124.00	1200.00			
William E. Miller.....	334 Lockwood, Covington, Ky.....	Evangelical Reformed.....	209	150	...	16	...	6	...	...	7	...	5	3	1	16	315	25	...	167.00	1725.00	
William E. Miller.....	334 Lockwood, Covington, Ky.....	Ev. Reformed, Bromley, Ky.....	85	56	...	1	...	5	...	5	...	2	1	1	1	8	60	10	...	92.00	350.00			
J. Gaenge.....	4038 Taylor Ave., Oakley, O.....	First German Reformed.....	315	263	180	21	2	13	...	1	7	3	9	...	1	28	413	40	...	200.00	2214.00			
Oswald P. Vitz.....	Rising Sun, Indiana.....	First German Evangelical.....	280	143	65	11	2	1	2	1	1	20	179	258.00	1945.00			

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Edward A. Kielsmeier		205 Jones St., Dayton, Ohio.	Second German Reformed	325	280	125	15	61	1	4	4	12	1	1	23	280	90		\$ 1500.00	\$ 4545.00		
George F. Zinn		2011 Sherman Ave., Norw d.	Zion's Reformed	467	362	322	19	20	6	21	4	5	1	1	33	530	105		1216.00	5057.00		
Vacant		42 S. 4th St., Ironton, Ohio.	First Evangelical Reformed	92		35									10	65						
Frank W. Goetsch		208 Miami St., Piqua, Ohio.	Zion's Reformed	150	86	67	8	16	4	2					1	18	205	20	1	140.00	1289.00	
Vacant		Florence, Indiana	St. John's Reformed	65																		
Vacant		Beaver, Ohio. (F. Wilken)	Beaver Reformed																			
H. A. Dickmann		414 N. D. St., Hamilton, O.	Bethel (Independent)																			
Joseph L. Schatz†																						
Albert G. Lohmann†																						
Ministers, 12.			Charges, 12.	3180	2196	1412	154	10	80	18	53	28	35	57	14	11	250	3669	465	2	\$ 6082.00	\$ 27776.00
*Serves an independent congregation. †Emeritus. ‡Superintendent of German Deaconess Hospital, Cincinnati, O.																						
V. Toledo Classis—REV. L. A. MOSER, Stated Clerk.																						
K. A. Stein		Cherry & Moore Sts., Toledo	First Evangelical Reformed	750	700	400	20	3	25	10	11	2	4	26	10	1	26	556	100		\$ 900.00	\$ 5000.00
H. F. Helgemann		916 Prouty Ave., Toledo, O.	Second Reformed (Salem's)	280	200	211	14	16	1	8			20	3	2	1	13	214	1		223.00	1729.00
Vacant		512 Nasby St., Toledo, Ohio.	Memorial Reformed	211																		
J. F. Vornholt		Haskins, Ohio.	Emanuel's Reformed	146	102	72	1	5	13	4	6			1		1	14	132	25		301.00	1062.00
A. Beer		New Bavaria, Ohio.	Emanuel's Reformed	343	270	137	10	2	9	1	1	3		1	1	1	16	123			186.00	1465.00
J. J. Poetter		Holgate, Ohio.	St. John's Reformed	375	260	170	15	11			3	3		1	1	18	212				143.00	1480.00
H. B. Robrock		Sherwood, Ohio.	St. John's Reformed	188	150	52	4	5	7			15	3	1	8	106	20				175.00	1660.00
N. E. Vitz		Sherwood, Ohio.	Zion's Reformed	65	45	32	3	1	2	4	3	7		3	7	1	8	126			281.00	520.00
J. J. Vogt		Archbold, Ohio.	St. John's Reformed	265	108	101	3	1	1	1	1	11	3	1	1	17	261	40	1		232.00	1587.00
J. J. Vogt		Archbold, Ohio.	Zion's (Evansport, Ohio)	40	48	25									1	15	113				113.00	385.00
Vacant		Liberty Center, Ohio.	Zion's (Lytton, Ohio)	40	20							3		1	1	12	91	110			166.00	105.00
Vacant		Liberty Center, Ohio.	St. John's, Liberty Center, O.	50	40										1	13	115	25			130.00	
Vacant		Liberty Center, Ohio.	Salem's (Malinta, Ohio)																			
Carl F. Heyl		412 Chene St., Detroit, Mich.	Zion's Reformed	350	233	150	20	5			10	2	15	1	1	17	240		1		475.00	1600.00
Joseph K. Mueglin		Fort Hope, Michigan	Evangelical Zion's Ref'md.	155	117	94	12	1	4	15	2			2	1	4	94				101.00	707.00
L. A. Moser		Elk Rapids, Michigan	St. John's Reformed	117	55	32	2	1						2	1	8	38	16			63.00	600.00
Ruf.		1706 S. Wenona, Bay City	First Reformed	116	85	40	2	1	10	2	1	20		2	1	17	130	10			170.00	1100.00

*Serves an independent congregation. †Ministerius. ‡Superintendent of German Deaconess Hospital, Cincinnati, O.

V. Toledo Classis—Rev. L. A. Moser, *Stated Clerk*.

K. A. Stein.....	Cherry & Moore Sts., Toledo.....	First Evangelical Reformed.....	750	700	400	20	3	29	10	11	2	4	20	10	1	26	556	100	.....	\$	900.00	\$ 5000.00
H. F. Helgemann.....	916 Prouty Ave., Toledo, O.....	Second Reformed (Salem's).....	280	200	211	14	16	1	8	.....	.....	.....	20	3	2	1	13	214	.....	1	223.00	1729.00
Vacant.....	512 Nasby St., Toledo, Ohio.....	Memorial Reformed.....	211	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. F. Vornholt.....	Haskins, Ohio.....	Emanuel's Reformed.....	146	102	72	1	5	13	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	14	132	25	.....	301.00	1082.00
A. Beer.....	New Bavaria, Ohio.....	Emanuel's Reformed.....	343	270	137	10	2	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	123	.....	.....	186.00	1465.00
J. H. Postler.....	Holgate, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	375	260	170	15	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	212	.....	.....	413.00	1450.00
H. B. Robrock.....	Deltance, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	188	150	82	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	109	20	.....	175.00	1600.00
N. E. Vitz.....	Sherwood, Ohio.....	Zion's Reformed.....	65	45	32	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8	126	.....	.....	251.00	520.00
J. J. Vogt.....	Archbold, Ohio.....	St. John's Reformed.....	265	101	101	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	17	261	40	1	232.00	1387.00
J. J. Vogt.....	Archbold, Ohio.....	Zion's (Evansport, Ohio).....	90	48	25	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	113	.....	.....	113.00	385.00
Vacant.....	Liberty Center, Ohio.....	Zion's (Lytton, Ohio).....	40	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	12	91	110	.....	106.00	105.00
Vacant.....	Liberty Center, Ohio.....	St. John's, Liberty Center, O.....	50	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	115	25	.....	.....	150.00
Vacant.....	Liberty Center, Ohio.....	Salem's (Malinta, Ohio).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carl F. Heyl.....	412 Chene St., Detroit, Mich.....	Zion's Reformed.....	350	233	150	20	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	2	15	1	17	240	.....	1	475.00	1600.00
Joseph K. Mugglin.....	Port Hope, Michigan.....	Evangelical Zion's Ref'med.....	155	117	94	12	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	2	.....	2	1	4	94	.....	104.00	767.00
L. A. Moser.....	Elk Rapids, Michigan.....	St. John's Reformed.....	117	55	32	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	8	38	16	63.00	600.00
B. Ruf.....	1706 S. Wenona, Bay City.....	First Reformed.....	116	85	40	2	1	10	20	2	1	17	130	10	170.00	1100.00

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Vacant	Florida, O.	St. Paul's Reformed	21																	\$ 50.00	
George Engelmann (Invalid)	Napoleon, O.																				
John Kuerten (Emeritus)	Totogany, O.																				
Otto M. Ploch, Licentiate	Toledo, O.																				
Ministers, 15.	Charges, 15.	Congregations, 15.	3565	2233	1516	112	14103	22	53	21	86	55	21	15	206	2545	316	3	\$ 3832.00	\$14250.00	
Students for the Ministry: William Karl Schuetz, 959 Calburn Avenue, Toledo, Ohio; Fritz Kutzli, Archbold, Ohio.																					

VIII. SYNOD OF THE INTERIOR

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS		ADDITIONS			LOSSES			S. S.		Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	CONTRIBUTIONS						
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I. Illinois Classis —REV. G. NEVIN REBERT, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
Vacant.....	Altamont, Ill.....	St. Paul's.....	14	10	\$ 5.00	\$ 431.00	
Vacant.....	Astoria, Ill.....	St. John's.....	20	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	439.00	439.00
Vacant.....	Astoria, Ill.....	St. Peter's.....	37	30	41	60	14	8	31	14	5	10	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13559.00	4965.00
James Dudycha.....	1130 H'mph'y Av., Oak Park.....	Bohemian.....	177	145	30	60	14	8	31	14	5	10	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	580.00	2200.00
Ellis S. Hay.....	3059 Jack's'n Blvd., Chicago.....	Grace.....	45	50	30	1	1	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	675.00	425.00
S. L. Whitmore.....	Forreston, Ill.....	Zion.....	56	50	50	3	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1200.00	530.00
S. L. Whitmore.....	Forreston, Ill.....	Trinity.....	95	88	35	10	1	20	13	6	1	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1303.00	1344.00
A. J. Michael.....	Freeport, Ill.....	First English.....	50	50	53	8	1	3	2	12	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	195.55	622.14
J. M. Johnson.....	2273 Wash'g't'n St., Gary, Ind.....	First Reformed.....	30	25	10	4	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78.00	135.00
D. A. Sellers.....	Tamms, Ill.....	Grace.....	53	42	4	1	4	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130.00	1208.00
D. A. Sellers.....	Orangeville, Ill.....	First Reformed.....	60	56	35	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	523.00	812.00
G. Nevin Rebert.....	Dakota.....	Grace.....	36	33	10	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	550.00	415.00
G. Nevin Rebert.....	Rock Grove.....	Dakota.....	7	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85.00	100.00
G. Nevin Rebert.....	Edinburg, Ill.....	Edinburg.....	57	46	5	1	8	13	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130.12	839.55
C. Edward Holyoke.....	Buckhart.....	Buckhart.....	23	21	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70.20	180.48
C. Edward Holyoke.....	Shelbyville.....	Shelbyville.....	49	47	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114.00	672.69
C. Edward Holyoke.....	Stonington, Ill.....	Stonington.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Taylorville, Ill.....	Zion.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....
Robert Oplinger.....	Dakota, Ill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. H. Wyler.....	Sendai, Japan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ezra H. Gunther.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 11.			820	711	372	43	23	73	36	18	38	31	7	10	13	156	1278	181	\$5769.46	\$9999.61	
Congregations, 17.																					
II. Iowa Classis —REV. J. N. NALY, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
Joseph M. Newgard.....	Zwingle, Iowa.....	Harmony.....	209	197	81	15	3	10	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 636.20	\$ 1334.50
D. F. Boomershire.....	Maquabeta, Iowa.....	Maquabeta.....	92	72	30	4	2	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	295.00	600.00
D. F. Boomershire.....	Maquabeta, Iowa.....	Buckhorn.....	30	26	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	140.00
D. F. Boomershire.....	Maquabeta, Iowa.....	Union.....	28	22	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.00	150.00
D. F. Boomershire.....	Maquabeta, Iowa.....	Last Nation.....	94	80	25	3	5	9	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	430.00	422.00

SYNOD OF THE INTERIOR—Iowa Classis—Continued.

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS		ADDITIONS				LOSSES				S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS					
			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
Roy Moorehead.....	Lone Tree, Iowa.....	Lone Tree.....	173	138	46	8	4	6	2	.....	4	38	3	6	1	30	258	45	\$ 499.00	\$1246.00
A. Casselman, Supply.....	Columbus, Junction, Iowa.....	Trinity.....	32	30	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	3	.....	.....	1	13	47	.....	77.00	372.00
A. Casselman, Supply.....	Conesville, Iowa.....	Grace.....	88	85	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	62	1	.....	.....	1	12	127	52	195.00	465.00
John N. Naly.....	Tipton, Iowa.....	St. John's.....	194	153	36	7	4	8	3	2	.....	1	2	.....	1	15	194	32	614.94	1659.00
Clement D. Loehr.....	Oskaloosa, Iowa.....	First.....	130	80	21	6	7	1	4	2	1	.....	1	.....	1	17	238	38	200.00	1250.00
Clement D. Loehr.....	Oskaloosa, Iowa.....	Leighton.....	34	26	6	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	8	45	.....	74.00	400.00
Francis R. Casselman.....	Lisbon, Iowa.....	Grace.....	118	79	30	1	1	6	6	1	2	.....	4	.....	2	27	139	33	628.00	1730.00
Frank S. Bromer.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	First.....	142	102	16	4	5	8	1	5	5	20	1	.....	1	27	260	43	329.19	1414.10
H. Jerome Leinbach.....	Des Moines, Iowa.....	University Avenue.....	75	58	24	2	2	.....	4	4	2	.....	3	.....	1	14	137	17	218.82	846.58
Vacant.....	Liscomb, Iowa.....	Grace.....	80	57	13	2	4	4	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	16	165	.....	1086.00	1245.00
Mathew Spinka.....	Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	Bohemian Reformed.....	61	39	32	8	.....	2	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	70	17	157.90	1079.27
Vacant.....	Wilton, Junction, Iowa.....	Grace.....	33	30	59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	8	84	.....	70.00	611.03
Vacant.....	Wilton, Junction, Iowa.....	Trinity.....	25	12	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	10	55	.....	17.95	185.00
Francis R. Casselman, Supply.....	Lisbon, Iowa.....	St. John's.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vacant.....	Columbus Junction, Iowa.....	St. Paul's.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 11.			1654	1286	476	65	37	60	31	27	40	137	14	8	19	271	12322	313	\$5729.00	\$15209.48
Charges, 12.			Congregations, 20.																	
III. Kansas Classis—Rev. L. L. Hassenpflug, Stated Clerk.																				
John B. Bloom.....	1012 Henry St., St. Jo., Mo.....	First Reformed.....	138	116	25	6	2	5	1	1	4	.....	2	.....	1	18	134	22	\$ 508.00	\$ 2176.00
Ernest N. Evans.....	3528 Olive St., Kansas City.....	St. Paul's Reformed.....	217	215	50	18	19	13	26	10	20	10	2	2	1	34	426	98	676.00	2900.00
David H. Fouse.....	2530 Ash St., Denver, Col.....	First Reformed.....	149	136	21	4	3	3	7	1	3	2	.....	.....	1	18	172	33	523.00	2657.00
O. G. Herbrecht.....	Fairview, Kansas.....	First Reformed.....	174	137	48	6	4	9	1	8	1	.....	3	.....	1	28	271	15	1290.00	2496.00
E. D. Lantz.....	Abilene, Kansas.....	Grace Reformed.....	72	51	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	1	11	100	15	195.00	730.00
L. L. Hassenpflug.....	Hiawatha, Kansas.....	Bethany Reformed.....	124	100	20	6	4	5	.....	1	3	6	2	.....	1	13	116	.....	357.00	2250.00
Carl Flueckiger.....	Dillon, Kansas.....	New Basel Reformed.....	167	105	127	6	.....	.....	10	3	5	.....	1	.....	1	12	201	39	1015.00	733.00
Junkichi Mori.....	Holton, Kansas.....	First Reformed.....	40	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	11	.....	.....	100.00	126.00
	1760 Post St., San Francisco.....	First Japanese Reformed.....	91	52	13	10	16	11	4	8	1	1	9	100	40	2256.00	35.00

SYNOD OF THE INTERIOR—Kansas Classis—Continued.

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			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence
John C. Horning.....			905 N. 11th St., St. Jo., Mo.....			West. Supt. Missions.....														
S. Thomas.....			Dorrance, Kansas.....																	
H. H. Shumaker.....			Holton, Kansas.....																	
C. D. Shaffer.....			Thurmont, Maryland.....																	
A. Casselman.....			Lisbon, Iowa.....																	
Ministers, 13.			Charges, 9.			Congregations, 9.														
1172			946	318	56	48	35	56	24	50	28	12	2	9	154	1520	263	3	\$7120.00	\$14123.00
IV. Wichita Classis—REV. THOMAS F. STAUFFER, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																				
104			107	20	1	2	2	1	1	5	7	4	1	1	15	27	39	1	\$233.34	\$1088.00
Brown Memorial.....			80	63	20	2	3	1	2	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	11	1	238.67	474.00
Trinity, Reformed.....			73	55	7	3	1	2	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	619.58	374.00
Grace Reformed.....			30	30	21	3	3	1	2	11	1	2	1	1	13	1	12	1	133.63	242.00
Christ Reformed.....			46	31	21	3	3	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	5	25	11	1	79.36	486.00
St. Paul's Reformed.....			423	256	68	6	5	3	3	2	19	16	9	5	33	52	73	1	\$1304.88	\$2664.00
Ministers, 3.			Charges, 5.			Congregations, 5.														
V. Lincoln Classis—REV. H. L. KRAUSE, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																				
175			140	50	5	5	7	3	3	6	4	3	1	1	15	215	25	1	\$433.00	\$2400.00
Edmund Erb.....			108	90	50	12	12	15	4	8	15	1	1	1	15	215	25	1	682.00	1993.00
P. M. Orr.....			81	80	25	5	3	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	20	160	20	1	410.00	998.00
L. S. Faust.....			83	73	33	5	3	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	15	167	63	1	715.00	1293.00
J. F. Hawk.....			90	70	24	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	124	21	1	135.00	911.00
H. L. Krause.....			30	28	10	2	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	8	28	1	1	115.00	177.00
Vacant.....			507	481	192	29	17	25	9	6	15	22	9	1	85	909	154	1	\$2520.00	\$7772.00
St. Paul's.....			Charges, 6.			Congregations, 6.														
Ministers, 5.																				

IX. SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST.

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHURCH OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS		ADDITIONS			LOSSES			S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS								
			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes	
I. Zion's Classis—O. H. SCHERRY, Stated Clerk.																					
John H. Bosch.....	219 Wash. Blvd., Ft. Wayne.	St. John's.....	761	525	233	24	21	8	6	12	10	1	1	25	355	55	1	\$1306.00	\$8000.00		
William H. Schroer.....	Vera Cruz, Ind.....	St. John's.....	183	125	125	4	9	2	2	5	4	1	1	25	268	1	1	354.00	800.00		
William H. Schroer.....	Vera Cruz, Ind.....	St. Luke's.....	95	70	45	1	2	6	4	4	1	1	1	10	110	105	35	94.00	400.00		
Otto J. Engelmann.....	R. H., Decatur, Ind.....	Salem's.....	180	176	76	8	11	3	3	6	9	2	1	15	105	24	4	554.00	1454.00		
Fred. H. Diehm.....	222 Etna Ave., Hunt gton.	St. Peter's.....	554	405	184	13	4	8	5	19	3	6	9	2	22	425	24	2	\$2020.00	\$3130.00	
Louis W. Stolle.....	303 N. 3rd St., Decatur, Ind.	Zion's.....	218	205	120	9	2	6	10	2	4	12	2	1	18	253	58	2	721.00	2894.00	
F. W. Kratz, Ph.D.....	502 E. Wayne St., Ft. Wayne	Salem's.....	424	307	146	8	1	15	6	14	5	3	9	1	24	346	41	1	1337.00	2330.00	
Herman H. Kattmann.....	Berne, Ind.....	Krenz.....	309	270	56	9	9	18	2	8	4	5	1	2	23	340	40	1	1055.00	1400.00	
Otto H. Scherry.....	211 E. Keyser St., Garrett	St. Matthew.....	87	59	35	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	8	35	1	1	52.00	996.00		
Otto H. Scherry.....	211 E. Keyser St., Garrett	St. John's.....	41	40	15	4	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	107.00	435.00		
John F. Winter.....	Box 45, Ft. Wayne, Ind.	Waisenvater.....	•																		
Gottlieb Besser.....	Indiana Ave., Decatur, Ind.....	Emeritus.....																			
Ministers 10	Charges 8	Congregations 10	2852	2180	1035	80	22	84	20	55	33	42	43	6	11	181	2245	253	7	\$7600.00	\$21819.00
Students for Ministry: Rudolph Worthmann, Carl Waidler, Elmer Jaberg, Matthew Worthmann, Henry Hemiger, Carl Reppert, Wm. Jassman.																					
II. Indiana Classis—L. C. RETTIG, Stated Clerk.																					
C. T. Roock.....	251 N. Temple Ave., Ind'p's.	First Reformed.....	68	52	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	12	110	45	1	\$ 72.00	\$ 929.00	
W. E. Huckeriede.....	Poland, Ind.....	Zion's Reformed.....	310	230	190	5	4	5	8	2	8	5	1	1	22	290	1	1	497.00	1300.00	
*W. E. Huckeriede.....	Poland, Ind.....	St. John's Reformed.....	106	60	60	4	9	8	2	10	1	1	1	1	7	125	1	1	97.00	400.00	
W. E. Huckeriede.....	Poland, Ind.....	St. Peter's Reformed.....	20	6	15	6	15	4	4	4	2	4	2	1	10	131	66	1	80.00	80.00	
H. R. Burkett.....	440 1st St. N. E., Linton.	Sarons Reformed.....	188	90	60	6	4	14	2	4	3	2	2	1	1	131	66	1	108.00	14345.00	
Ewald Sommerlatte.....	112 S. 8th St., Terre Haute.	Zion's Reformed.....	345	205	125	14	4	12	10	5	3	4	1	1	26	301	70	1	501.00	2400.00	
M. N. George.....	915 Ferry St., Lafayette.	Salem's Reformed.....	429	230	100	18	7	10	7	5	3	4	1	1	18	347	82	1	1185.00	2140.00	
Perry H. Baumann.....	Route 4, Clay City, Ind.	St. Peter's Reformed.....	172	98	40	2	10	7	10	2	2	7	1	1	25	77	17	1	374.00	671.00	
Henry W. Vitz.....	309 E. Merrill St., Ind'p'l's.	St. John's Reformed.....	531	340	108	23	5	15	11	2	2	7	1	1	30	515	61	1	1208.00	2900.00	
Wm. C. Beckmann.....	Route 2, Dundas, Ill.	Saron's Reformed.....	229	150	87	4	6	1	2	2	2	3	2	1	1	12	194	40	1	241.00	1000.00
C. W. H. Sauerwein.....	710 Walnut St., Olney, Ill.	First Reformed.....	106	66	46	1	4	3	1	2	11	3	2	1	7	143	48	1	511.00	738.00	
W. H. Knerim.....	1035 S. N. J. St., Ind'p'l's.	Immanuel Reformed.....	540	318	165	11	16	5	8	4	9	1	1	1	38	537	26	1	500.00	2868.00	

SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST—Indiana Classis—Continued.

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			Communicants	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes			
H. W. Otte.....	713 N. Belmont Ave., Ind'p'l's.	St. Paul's Reformed.....	176	75	11	1	5	1	5	5	1	1	22	176	43	303.00	2905.00				
J. F. Grauel.....	1007 Oakland Ave., Ind'p'l's.	Butler Memorial.....	225	180	85	5	2	8	7	18	2	4	1	24	325	95	325.00	3542.00			
H. W. Hoernemann.....	52 Hoefgen St., Ind'p'l's.	Seventh Reformed.....	90	55	53	5	3	3	3	4	3	1	1	14	141	12	88.00	1135.00			
W. J. Stucky.....	D-1, Box 278, Ind'p'l's, Ind.	Zion's Reformed.....	94	75	64	3	6	3	6	1	1	1	9	107	24	205.00	500.00				
Chr. Wisner.....	1105 Jefferson Ave., Ind'p's.	.....																		
George F. Hegele.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	.....																		
Chr. Rufener.....	Windham, Portage Co., O.....	.....																		
L. C. Rettig.....	306 W. Main St., Olney, I.....	.....																		
Ministers, 18.	Charges, 11.	Congregations, 16.	3662	2249	1304	111	35	119	22	75	24	34	43	8	15	276	3185	629	4	\$6215.00	\$37851.00
Students for the Ministry: Gerhard Gebhardt, Carl Jones, Alfred Herzberger, Roy F. Sterchi. *Supply. †Ordained July 8, 1917. ‡Dismissed to Zion's Classis, June 8, 1917.																					
III. Missouri Classis—C. Wm. Deglow, Stated Clerk.																					
Friedrich C. Schnuelle.....	Cosby, Mo., R. F. D. 1.....	Hoffmings.....	166	150	79	3	20	1	1	2	1	1	1	25	130	28	\$848.00	\$800.00			
Friedrich C. Schnuelle.....	Cosby, Mo., R. F. D. 1.....	St. John's.....	116	85	30	5	4	16	2	1	5	1	1	8	81	1	221.00	550.00			
C. William Deglow.....	Wathena, Kansas, R. F. D. 3.	Zion's.....	123	90	67	3	2	15	1	1	1	1	1	4	55	1	76.00	650.00			
Ohne Prodigier.....	Rockville, Mo., R. F. D. 1.....	Zoar.....	112	74	63	3	5	5	3	1	1	3	1	9	52	1	83.00	153.00			
Albert Hild.....	Hosington, Kansas, R.F.D. 2.	Schoenfeld.....	58	45	5	1	5	1	2	1	1	1	1	4	47	1	81.00	1100.00			
Albert Hild.....	Hosington, Kansas, R.F.D. 2.	Ebenezer.....	69	40	43	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	10	65	328.00	610.00			
Daniel Neuenschwander.....	Deepwater, Mo., R. F. D. 38.	Hebron.....	151	50	90	6	3	3	2	2	1	2	1	10	90	1	76.00	585.00			
Ernst Brunoel.....	Potsdam, Mo.....	Zion's.....	40	30	10	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	25	1	85.00	60.00			
Rudolf Steiner.....	Marvell, Ark., R. F. D. 3.	Barton.....	38	40	35	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	25	437.00	3324.00			
Lorenz Selzer.....	St. Louis, 1317 Sull'n Ave.....	(Frei) Hicksville.....	233	211	211	13	18	12	4	1	4	1	1	25	48	1					
Jacob Maurer.....	Altadena, California.....	Salem's.....																			
J. O. F. Symanski.....	Beaufort, Missouri.....	.....																		
Karl L. Kimm.....	Springfield, Missouri.....	.....																		
Gestorben.....																					
Ministers, 9.	Charges, 8.	Congregations, 11.	1137	815	628	59	7	82	12	6	1	20	3	10	102	445	76	1	\$2150.00	\$6947.00	

SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST—Chicago Classis.

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IV. Chicago Classis—ERNEST TRAEGER, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
F. Kalbelsch.....	1521 Hastings St., Chicago.....	First Evangelical Reformed.....	150	150	129	25	4	9	1	1	1	10	3	1	8	95	35	35	\$2.13	\$15.00	
*Ernst Traeger.....	92 Williams St., Freeport.....	Ev. Reformed Zion's.....	126	110	69	8	8	2	2	2	6	6	1	1	8	65	15	15	1.15	13.00	
**Ernst Traeger.....	1026 Wellington Ave., Chicago.....	Third German Freidens.....	50	150	35	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	50	26	26	47.00	1507.00	
A. Ruehlmann.....	Ridott, Ill.....	Salver Creek.....	101	39	31	1	3	1	1	1	13	5	1	1	7	25	25	25	205.00	745.00	
C. F. W. Hustdel.....	Pearl City, Ill.....	Salem's Reformed.....	140	71	112	5	1	1	10	10	5	1	1	1	12	60	32	32	106.00	3740.00	
John H. Rettig.....	5026 Warwick Ave., Chicago.....	St. Thomas.....	86	56	31	12	8	1	12	3	1	1	1	1	13	173	32	32	149.00	395.00	
John B. Szegdy.....	8506 Burley Ave., S. Chicago.....	S. Chicago Hungarian.....	60	45	30	12	23	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	20	15	12.00	845.00	
Stephen Virag.....	4822 Kennedy Ave., E. Chic.....	First Mag. Ref. Chic Ind.....	125	125	60	90	23	1	1	1	19	21	3	3	9	100	15	1	92.00	3079.00	
†Arpad Bakay.....	Gary, Ind.....	Hungarian, Gary, Ind.....	80	70	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	1	1	.....	300.00	
†John E. Traeger.....	Chicago, Ill.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ministers, 9			912	816	493	149	5	41	3	23	3	29	38	30	11	67	618	123	1	\$399.00	\$13411.00
Charges, 9.			Congregations, 9.																		
*Neue Adresse vom September 1917 an: R. F. D. 29, Plymouth, Wis. **Vakant. †Entlassen an die Hungarian Classis of the Pittsburgh Synod. ‡Without Charge																					
V. Kentucky Classis—F. E. LAHR, <i>Stated Clerk</i> .																					
C. F. Kriete.....	1716 Prentice St., Louisville.....	Salem.....	680	470	455	35	1	29	9	9	26	10	4	1	43	659	96	1	\$880.00	\$3604.00	
D. A. Winter.....	1329 Highland Ave., Louisville.....	Zion's.....	270	200	210	5	6	5	11	2	8	5	4	1	16	291	26	26	261.00	5512.00	
F. E. Lahr.....	329 Walnut St., Jeffersonville.....	St. Luke's.....	386	305	227	18	8	13	8	2	10	8	2	1	16	333	26	26	303.00	2920.00	
W. F. Naele.....	1012 Bluegrass Ave., Louisville.....	South Louisville.....	159	135	90	19	1	12	3	8	2	3	7	1	15	245	35	35	217.00	1310.00	
M. P. Schoepfle.....	851 Milton Ave., Louisville.....	Milton Avenue.....	235	155	107	7	12	9	9	1	7	7	2	1	21	320	51	51	413.00	1723.00	
Jacob Elmer.....	Brothersville, Ind.....	Emmanuel.....	95	80	53	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	46	20	1	122.00	400.00
Jacob Elmer.....	Brothersville, Ind.....	St. Paul's.....	82	70	41	5	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	8	47	31	31	202.00	500.00	
John Egger.....	New Middletown, Ind.....	Salem.....	76	53	27	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	58	20	108.00	245.00	
John Egger.....	New Middletown, Ind.....	St. Peter's.....	29	24	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	108.00	171.00	
John Egger.....	New Middletown, Ind.....	St. Paul's.....	24	23	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26.00	110.00	
P. Taylor Evans.....	Belvidere, Tenn.....	First Reformed.....	124	100	89	12	4	7	5	2	2	2	2	1	22	228	34	34	332.00	758.00	
George L. Berlepp.....	R. F. D. 111, Stanford, Ky.....	Bethany.....	48	23	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	143.00	1305.00	
George L. Berlepp.....	R. F. D. 111, Stanford, Ky.....	St. John's.....	38	10	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Vacant.....	(Elder)(John Thom)Nashville.....	First Reformed.....	123	98	62	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	31	16	1	1	

SYNOD OF THE SOUTHWEST—Kentucky Classis—Continued.

MINISTER	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAME OF CHARGE OR CONGREGATION	MEMBERS			ADDITIONS				LOSSES				S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS				
			Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewal of Profession	Dismissed	Names Erased	Deaths, Communicants	Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers!	Scholars, Home Dept. and Cradle Roll Inc.	Members of Y. P. S.	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	Congregational Purposes
Vacant.....	Hohenwald, Tenn.....	First Reformed.....	34	35	32	3	...	6	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	3	30	...	...	\$12 00	\$150 00
Vacant.....	Bernstadt, Ky.....	German Reformed.....	35	29	15	4	1	4	...	...	...	5	...	1	1	1	6	...	...	48 00	295 00
Vacant.....	Bernstadt, Ky.....	St. John's.....	60	35	36	6	...	5	...	...	...	7	...	1	1	3	23	...	...	...	...
G. Badertscher.....	940 S. 18th St., Louisville.....	Secular Calling.....																			
C. E. Schieler.....	Route 29, Plymouth, Wis.....	Professor.....																			
Ministers, 11.	Charges, 12.	Congregations, 17.	2503	1845	1554	127	17	95	10	44	18	71	31	22	14	175	2322	297	2	\$3265 00	\$19034 00

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, 1916-1917

SYNODS	MEMBERS				ADDITIONS				LOSSES				SUNDAY-SCHOOL			CONTRIBUTIONS								
	Ministers	Licentiates	Congregants	Communicants	Communed	Unconfirmed	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	By Certificate	Renewals	Dismissed		Names Erased	Deaths, Comm'ants		Deaths, Unconfirmed	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars, Home Dep. and Cradle Roll, Inc.	Members Young People's Societies	Students for Ministry	Benevolence	For Congregational Purposes
Eastern.....	358	12,564	137,939	107,143	62,758	5,576	604	4,885	2,155	1,681	2,085	2,793	2,317	758	625	12,940	142,869	18,598	93	\$ 285,624.74	\$ 947,182.23			
Ohio.....	136	1,220	31,954	25,705	6,752	698	960	960	824	452	788	1,056	831	231	120	202	3,710	34,353	4,689	18	80,176.00	241	240.00	
Northwest.....	155	225	19,451	13,079	10,823	1,083	22	749	184	517	286	374	234	82	202	1,218	9,959	1,243	30	35,996.84	146	535.05		
Pittsburgh.....	110	1,165	26,076	21,793	11,786	1,554	214	954	538	312	523	618	368	174	159	2,406	26,268	2,078	11	72,477.44	244	529.11		
Potomac.....	192	6,325	51,301	41,153	20,036	1,728	410	1,831	1,071	353	922	869	666	186	305	4,905	50,229	6,002	13	130,832.62	309	531.13		
German of East.....	71	1,611	19,233	14,899	8,550	1,201	38	832	94	585	741	113	378	145	58	1,190	14,211	2,922	12	18,412.00	169	175.00		
Central.....	97	1,105	25,814	17,549	10,199	988	161	897	264	488	279	465	378	153	100	1,289	21,278	2,095	24	40,650.00	179	564.00		
Interior.....	46	58	4,641	3,680	1,426	199	130	196	135	77	162	234	51	21	52	699	16,081	984	6	22,443.34	49	771.01		
Southwest.....	57	63	11,066	7,875	5,014	526	86	424	64	209	84	178	175	69	61	801	7,785	1,378	15	20,169.00	99	062.00		
Total.....	1246	24,1786	327,500	252,676	137,654	13,563	7325	11,731	5,329	4,764	5,242	7,318	5,053	1708	1764	28,258	323,063	39,969	252	\$706,811.98	\$2,386,589.53			

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

Of the statistics of the Reformed Church in the United States, exhibiting the results secured for the year designated at the head of each column and also for the three years ending in each instance in the month of June with the date given.

	1902.	1905.	1908.	1911.	1914.	1917.
Synods.....	8	8	8	8	8	9
Classes.....	58	57	59	60	61	61
Ministers.....	1,112	1,151	1,170	1,193	1,229	1,246
Congregations.....	1,691	1,730	1,681	1,756	1,779	1,786
Communicants.....	225,408	264,931	248,271	297,173	312,501	327,508
Communed, given year.....	198,815	212,590	219,853	230,460	241,876	252,876
Unconfirmed.....	129,864	124,283	135,577	131,672	134,943	137,654
Baptisms, Infants, given year.....	13,457	13,803	14,353	13,732	13,951	13,356
Baptisms, Infants, in three years.....	40,641	41,116	42,606	40,945	40,980	41,106
Baptisms, Adults, in given year.....	1,830	2,021	2,349	2,369	2,669	2,625
Baptisms, Adults, in three years.....	5,269	5,534	6,197	7,252	7,360	8,388
Confirmed, given year.....	11,366	12,368	12,649	12,686	13,199	11,731
Confirmed, in three years.....	31,787	35,260	37,573	37,415	37,667	40,628
Certificate, given year.....	8,504	9,368	9,611	9,578	5,885	5,329
Certificate, in three years.....	24,621	27,116	28,170	21,718	16,883	16,181
Dismissed, given year.....	4,391	4,628	5,237	5,184	5,437	5,242
Dismissed, in three years.....	12,729	13,535	14,288	14,141	14,966	16,247
Excommunicated, given year.....	32	25	5	35		
Excommunicated, in three years.....	100	74	68	142		
Erased, given year.....	5,489	5,225	6,659	8,786	6,262	7,318
Erased, in three years.....	16,487	16,407	17,471	22,749	23,820	20,867
Deaths, given year.....	6,258	6,010	4,571	6,495	6,421	5,053
Deaths, in three years.....	18,567	14,614	15,411	18,688	11,728	13,888
Sunday-schools, given year.....	1,662	1,648	1,716	1,726	1,693	1,764
Officers and Teachers, given year.....	21,796	24,789	25,333	27,930	28,972	28,258
Sunday-school Scholars, given year.....	200,178	208,524	232,746	266,844	285,673	327,356
Students for Ministry, given year.....	199	194	221	226	245	252
Benevolent Contributions, one year.....	\$ 283,954	\$ 332,720	\$ 403,779	\$ 569,476	\$601,119	\$ 706,811 98
Benevolent Contributions, in three years.....	793,464	1,403,428	1,333,339	1,503,418	1,621,853	\$ 1,969,038 41
Congregational Purposes, in one year.....	1,396,654	1,494,629	1,886,610	1,917,012	\$ 2,183,301	\$ 2,376,589 53
Congregational Purposes, in three years.....	3,889,709	4,552,649	4,895,861	5,555,994	\$ 6,002,461	6,637,719 00

Note.—As the latest statistics obtainable were desired by General Synod, the Stated Clerk was instructed to have printed in the Minutes of 1917 the statistical tables of the several Classes for the same year. These Classical statistics were obtained and printed so that in the interim the statement contains the statistics for four years instead of only three. This comparative summary of statistics will be found interesting and instructive, showing as it does the steady progress of the Reformed Church in the United States. The increase of the Church during the interim 1914-1917 is as follows: Gain in ministers, 17; gain in congregations, 7; in communicants, 15,007; gain in communion, 11,000; in confirmed, 2961; by certificate, a loss of 642; gain in Sunday-school scholars, 41,683; benevolence, \$7,185; congregational purposes, \$728,546.

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